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WORKING FOR A WAR!

United States Press Inducing Belief That Maine Was Wrecked by An Enemy.

Impossible to Float the Hulk and Removal May Be Left to the Spanish.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Mail and Express publishes an extra on the streets this afternoon with the following from its Havana correspondent, W. S. Quigley:

"The United States naval board of inquiry continued to-day taking the testimony of the divers who have been working on the wreck of the Maine. Those who were sent here from the battleship Iowa and the cruiser New York were examined. While, of course, the members of the court will not talk for publication, I am informed on the highest authority that the evidence of diver Morgan as to the condition of the Maine shows almost beyond the possibility of a doubt in the opinion of my informant that the Maine was blown up by an outside agency. Furthermore Morgan's report was verified by the other American divers who descended to-day.

All of the testimony of the civilian witnesses of the disaster was taken to-day. The court will finish its work to-morrow, and proceed at once to Key West to take the testimony of the survivors there. It has also been decided not to return to Havana, as all the information as to the cause of the disaster obtainable here has already been secured. It is believed that a decision has been practically reached. The witnesses yet to be examined will hardly change the verdict.

The court has decided against any attempt to raise the ruined battleship. The members are convinced that it would be useless, as she could never be kept afloat, and the Spanish authorities here will be informed that if they wish the wreck removed from the harbor they must attend to the work themselves. This decision gives a better idea of the terrible havoc wrought in the Maine than columns of description could give. The Merritt Wrecking company, it was announced to-day, wanted $2,000,000 to raise the wreck. The company's representatives made this demand after viewing the wrecked vessel. The wreckers to-day turned their attention to salving the great guns. These at least can be recovered in sufficiently good condition to warrant the effort.

Two unknown bodies of the crew were recovered in the wreck by the divers at noon to-day. The bodies were frightfully burned and mangled and it may be impossible to ever identify some of them."

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mr. H. H. Kohlsaat, who is a very close friend of President McKinley, publishes the following in the Chicago Evening Post to-day:

"It can be stated positively that neither the President nor Secretary Long is in possession of a single fact or report in regard to the Maine disaster that they have not made public. While they cannot confirm nor deny the sensational stories published throughout the country as to the progress of the inquiry, they know that none of the evidence or conclusions of the court will be made public in advance of the report. Every official connected with the investigation into the cause of the disaster to the Maine, from Capt. Sampson down to the divers and linemen, is under oath of secrecy. The Maine itself is sacredly guarded from unofficial approach. These facts account for the remarkable equanimity with which the American people read the daily sensations from Havana and the stock jobbing forebodings of war from New York and Washington. This much is absolutely true President McKinley knows nothing about the wreck of the Maine or the testimony as to its cause that he has not made public. He will not withhold any information when he gets it. He has not come to any conclusion as to whether the disaster was accidental or designed, or whether it was caused by an internal or external explosion. when he receives the report of the court of inquiry he will know the facts, which he will make public with his conclusions and policy."

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—The court of inquiry this morning sat longer than usual. The divers were examined more in detail than ever before. The cloudy weather and rain made the work of the divers unsatisfactory to-day, and therefore but little work was done. It was reported that a hole had been made by the divers in one of the forward hatches, and it was hoped to get out a number of bodies later in the day. In the harbor here there is no tidal current to clear away the mud and settlings, so the water is murky and difficult to work in.

The wreck of the Maine is slowly but surely sinking. Before the hull can be raised the guns and deck debris of all kinds must be taken out. This will take time and, for lack of proper appliances, practically nothing has been done yet. Aside from the cabin effects the salvage, thus far, has been small.

The time of the departure of the Mangrove with the court of inquiry for Key West is still in doubt. She is not likely, it now appears, to sail to-day, and Captain Sampson says it is doubtful whether she will sail to-morrow. The captain repeats his former statement that all depends upon the developments of the testimony. The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII has been towed to a buoy further within the harbor, to make room for the cruiser Vizcaya, which is expected here to-morrow or the next day from the north.

The news of all kinds here is mere routine at preeent, there being no excitement and even rumors are less active than usual.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—According to a special despatch from Madrid reports received there from the United States are to the effect that public opinion in the latter country is becoming more excited owing to the impression that the loss of the Maine was not due to accident, are "restirring popular feeling here (in Madrid), and the conviction is increasing in ministerial circles that the worst must be expected."

Continuing, the despatch says: "The government will have no choice if the United States adopts a threatening attitude, for the prospect of war is popular with all parties, and the more excitable newspapers are already urging the government to take measures to enable Spain to strike the first and decisive blow."

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Spanish cruiser Vizcaya was reported under way at 1:25 p.m. by the observer at quarantine. The Vizcaya had only one guard about her, the navy tug Nina, which circled about her all morning. The flag of the flagship was still at half-mast as she drew down the bay. The big cruiser saluted her diminutive escort, and increasing her speed as she neared the sea, began rapidly to leave the Nina behind. She did not salute the forts at the narrows, but sped swiftly off towards the southwestern horizon.

A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Patience is necessary on the part of the people of the United States in the Maine investigation. Notwithstanding vexatious delays, real progress is being made by the divers. The decision regarding the cause of the disaster ultimately rests on their work. Captain Sampson's naval board has been able to gain the fullest information, showing that an accident through lack of discipline was impossible. This branch of the inquiry brings out what was well understood—the officers and crew of the Maine were under the strictest discipline, because although on the surface the visit of the Maine was friendly, Captain Sigsbee had taken the proper precautions against hostile action.

The work of clearing out the bodies under the hatch proceeds. The sights there are pitiful almost beyond the endurance of the divers, accustomed as they are to such experiences. The condition in which the bodies are found shows that the men, sleeping in bunks, must have been driven against the beams overhead with terrible force. In many instances the bodies are charred beyond possibility of recognition. The board has not yet directed an examination of the hull plates.

While the divers' examinations show that some smaller magazines may have exploded, the fact that the main ten-inch magazine had not exploded seems conclusively established. The story of the finding of a ten-inch copper cylinder was correct. The Spanish authorities adhere to the story of fire in the ship first and an explosion afterwards. The result of the divers' work is conclusive against that theory. Though reports are carefully guarded, it is known that what they found in the interior of the wreck has demolished the theory of a fire before the explosion.

A despatch to the World from Madrid says: Admiral Terry, secretary and chief of staff to the commander of the Maine, says: "The harbor of Havana contained no sub-marine mine in the vicinity of the place where the battleship Maine and Spanish cruiser Alfonza XII were anchored."

A despatch to the Herald from Havana says: "There is no longer any reason to doubt that the explosion which wrecked the Maine came from underneath the vessel. Her magazines had nothing to do with the initial explosion and played a smaller part in the general disaster than was at first supposed."

Passengers on the steamship Concho, which has just arrived from Havana, say the sight of the Maine is horrifying from the evidence which wreckage bore of the power of the explosion and the carnage wrought. Buzzards hung about the wreck, the Spanish officers making no effort to drive them away, though their presence was sickening and offensive. The Spaniards who rowed about in boats did not conceal their satisfaction at the American warship's fate, and sometimes were seen shaking their fists at the flag that hung half-mast above the hulk.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—The United States lighthouse tender Mangrove is still here, and the court of inquiry will have its usual sessions to-day. It is highly probable that the testimony of civilian witnesses did not add to the court's knowledge of the circumstances attending the explosion, the cause of which these witnesses could hardly know anything, being quite a distance away. The wounded are reported to be doing well thus far to-day. The Derrick & Wrecking Company's tug Right Arm is again at work removing such parts of the wreck as is possible in advance of the stronger tugs from the north. It is believed that the divers will remain at work when the Mangrove leaves. The Fern is the only United States vessel in the harbor.

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NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Aliens Likely to Be Forbidden to Take Up Mining Locations in the Yukon.

Brewers Want Compensation and Direct Taxation Submitted for Plebiscite.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—The general impression in official circles is that the government will make regulations forbidding aliens from taking up mining locations in the Yukon.

A. M. Burgess, commissioner of Dominion lands, is lying at death's door. He had a stroke of apoplexy yesterday and to-day his entire body is paralyzed. He can hardly live through the night.

Messrs. Wills, Livernash and Landreville, the miners' delegation from Dawson, had a conference with Deputy Minister Smart to-day regarding the mining regulations.

Lieutenant Kenneth Burnett, 2nd Battalion, 5th Regiment, resigns his commission. John Spottiswood is appointed Second Lieutenant provisionally.

Senator Templeman arrived here to-day, making his first appearance since his appointment, only to find that the Senate will not meet again until March 8.

The Dominion brewers had an interview with the government to-day. They want the question of compensation and the imposition of direct taxation to make up for loss of revenue, submitted to the people for decision.

The Governor-in-Council has been asked to approve of the plans of the E. & N. railway for a wharf at Nanaimo.

MR. SIFTON'S BARGAIN.

He Wishes to Stand by It While His Colleagues Would Reopen the Question.

TORONTO, Feb. 25.—(Special)—The Ottawa correspondent of the Mail, discussing the Hamilton Smith feature of the Yukon railway matter, says:

"Realizing this fact, there are several members of the cabinet quite willing now to re-open this question. The strongest possible opposition to considering the new offer comes from Mr. Sifton, minister of the interior, who ought under ordinary circumstances to be the champion of the West against all land-grabbers, and who is threatening to resign if his colleagues insist upon making any move that will render a reduction in the land grant possible. He stated a few days ago in the house that he had spent long and weary hours trying to induce Mackenzie & Mann to accept the contract for a smaller subsidy, but now that a railway can be built for one-quarter of the subsidy, Mr. Sifton is the chief and only obstacle to the adoption of a more reasonable course.

In reply to a telegram of inquiry to Hamilton Smith who was in New York, regarding his offer to the government, he sent the following message: "Van Horne asked at my request to approach Sifton day latter's return from West, showing my plan, naming most of my London associates and indicating my desire to build line by Dalton route."

THE DECEASED ARCHBISHOP.

Remains Lying in State Until Great Public Funeral Next Tuesday.

KINGSTON, Feb. 25.—(Special)—The remains of the late Archbishop Cleary were removed to-day to the palace drawing room, where they are being watched by hundreds of citizens. The body will remain in state until Monday, when it will be taken to St. Michael's cathedral, to remain until the funeral on Tuesday. Flowers are not to be allowed, as only emblems of the hope of resurrection through the cross are permissible at the funeral of an archbishop.

Mgr. Farrenny, of Belleville, has been appointed administrator of the diocese.

FRANCE IN CHINA.

No Intention to Follow the Aggressive Example of Germany and Russia.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—In the House of Commons to-day the secretary for foreign affairs, Mr. Curzon, replying to Admiral Lord Charles Beresford as to whether France intended to occupy Hainan as a naval base in the Far East, similar to the steps taken by Germany and Russia, said that the French government had intimated to the British ambassador at Paris, Sir Edmund Monson, that it had not the least intention of initiating any such policy in China.

CARPENTER tools at Cheapside. x

Mission House Burned.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 25.—(Special)—The Roman Catholic mission residence at St. Laurent was totally destroyed by fire last night. The church was saved with great difficulty.

Fatal Accident.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 25. — (Special) — Jeremiah Murphy, aged 18, was instantly killed in McArthur's sawmill near Russell, by falling on a circular saw.

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WEST BOOMING TRADE.

Outfitting for Klondike Will Leave Two Millions in Montreal and Toronto.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: While business of a speculative nature has been quick to reflect an increasing strain in political affairs in reduced values and withdrawals or curtailment of activity in some lines, there is little to indicate that the volume of distributive trade has been reduced and reports to Bradstreets, so far as the latter branch of trade is concerned, are among the best received this year. With few important exceptions the price situation is one of strength.

The demand for steel in the West continues large and prices continue firm. A feature of Chicago trade has been the placing of an order for 4,000 tons of steel rails for a railroad in Alaska. Almost equally good reports come from the Northwest, where trade is reported either fully equal to or ahead of last year.

The word Klondike accurately pictures the situation on the Pacific Coast. All eyes appear to be fixed on the outfitting trade and the transportation of men and supplies to the North.

Wheat and flour and lumber exports are larger and rains in California are improving the agricultural outlook.

A very large drop in the number of business failures is indicated by reports this week, the total number being only 183, against 269 last week, and 258 in the corresponding week of 1897.

Stormy weather and Lenten observances have checked the volume of demand and distribution in the Dominion of Canada, the demand from country having been heavily reduced except where lowered railway rates made larger traffic at some towns. The rate war between the Canadian roads is giving both all they can do to handle the business offering, and locomotives are being borrowed to help move traffic. The Klondike trade is active both in Montreal and Toronto, and it is estimated that two million dollars will be spent this spring at these two cities in outfitting. From the Pacific Coast of the Dominion come reports of activity in the Klondike trade. Up country trade is rather slow.

Business failures in the Dominion this week number 45, against 38 last week and 50 in this week a year ago.

The bank clearances for the Dominion of Canada were as follows: Montreal $16,361,264, increase 84.2 per cent.; Toronto $7,740,388, increase 31.2; Winnipeg $1,306,215, increase 22.3; Halifax $5,034,731, increase 20.7; Hamilton $592,441, increase 5.3; St. John, N.B., $496,424, increase, 13.8.

STILL CHEAPER TRAVELLING.

A Yet Lower Rate Across the Continent May Be Announced.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—(Special)—It does not look as if the railway conference will effect much in the way of settling the rate war. It is understood to-night that the Grand Trunk will to-morrow announce that it will meet the C.P.R. cut rate to Victoria and Vancouver, namely, $40 for first class and $30 for second class. If the conference results in nothing the C.P.R. will again go one better than the Grand Trunk by making another cut.

THE ELKJAR PARTY.

A Trading Outfit Going North From Victoria on the Islander.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 25.—(Special)—P. Elkjar and party for Klondike left last evening, and will sail from Victoria on the Islander on March 2. Mr. Elkjar is taking in two carloads of supplies, most of which he purchased in Victoria or Vancouver, and with the assistance of 20 mules and 40 dogs, the 17 men in the party will proceed to 30 miles below Five Finger rapids, where he will establish a post. Mr. Elkjar is propietor with a partner of a steamer now wintering at the mouth of the Lewis river on the upper Yukon, and they will use this to carry passengers from Dawson City to Five Fingers. From Five Fingers saddle horses will be provided, and the trip will, it is expected, be made in remarkably short time of fifteen days.

Drouth in Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 25.—(Special) — No "side door" drinks could be obtained at any city saloon late last night, as every hotel man closed his doors promptly at 11 o'clock. This is the result of an active crusade by the citizens' order league against infraction of the liquor license laws.

BOATS

At Lake Bennett

The undersigned Owners of timber limits and general store at Lake Bennett, British Columbia, (mills, steamers and horse tramway now under construction) will during the coming season, have boats of all sizes, and lumber in any quantity for sale and at reasonable prices. For further particulars apply to . . . . .

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ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.

A Former Victorian the Chance Victim of a Revolver in His Own Hand.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—(Special)—Sidnep Whiffen, formerly of Victoria, and engaged in the office of Mr. Townley, registrar of titles, accidentally shot himself in the head this morning while examining his revolver in the rear of his residence preparatory to shooting rats. He died this afternoon from the effects of the wound.

The mother and brother of the young man reside in Victoria, where the deceased has many other friends who will be shocked at the sad news conveyed in the above despatch.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER.

United States Consul Speaks Well of His Station—A Handy List of Prospectors.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—(Special)—In the last consular report of U.S. Consul Dudley of this port, which has been sent all over the United States and has been copied in full in New York and Chicago newspapers, Colonel Dudley speaks of the importance of Victoria and Vancouver as points of departure for Alaska, and gives the Canadian cities a very kind reference in regard to their ability to handle the rush.

In the U. S. consulate are the names of all the Americans who have outfitted here since the rush commenced. Particulars are given as to each prospector, and the book will be a very valuable reference when friends commence to enquire for those who have taken passage at Vancouver for the north.

J. T. Wilkinson, who has been very successful as a breeder and importer of pedigreed live stock, is retiring from his ranch in Chilliwack, having concluded to devote his time entirely to newspaper work. He has been appointed to an important position on the prospective Daily Province of Vancouver.

Dr. Watalett, M. E., leaves for the Mackenzie river to-morrow with a son of Mr. Hearst, of the San Francisco Examiner, and ten others, on a prospecting tour. They take with them a year's provisions.

The steamer Tees left to-day for Wrangel with sixty passengers.

CHEMAINUS.

Leaving for the Klondike—Other Personal Mention—The Schools.

CHEMAINUS, Feb. 23.—Mr. Craydon, a Nanaimo photographer, has spent a week taking views in this vicinity.

Rev. Thos. Mulligan paid a visit to Saanich last week. In his absence the pulpit was occupied by Mr. Haynes, of Victoria, on Sunday.

The public schools of the district were inspected by Mr. S. B. Netherby a short time ago.

Constable Greaves has been transferred to the Klondike police force.

O. Gustafson and Percy Roberts were among those who left for the Klondike last week.

Quite a number of families moved from the village lately.

A masquerade ball was given in the town hall on Friday.

ALBERNI FORESTERS.

The First Court Instituted and Officers Duly Elected.

ALBERNI, Feb. 24.—A first court of the Independent Order of Foresters was instituted here last evening by J. H. Falconer, D.S.C.R., I.O.F., when about thirty were initiated into the mysteries of Forestry. The following gentlemen were elected as officers: Court deputy S.C.R., H. S. Law; chief ranger, D. M. Paterson; physicians, Drs. Watson and Pybus; past chief ranger, Alan W. Neill; vice chief ranger, Geo. Forrest; recording secretary, J. Howitt; financial secretary, C. T. Haslam; treasurer, Chas. Aug. Cox; chaplain, Rev. Ed. G. Taylor; S.J. court, E. L. Gill; senior woodward, Chas. Taylor; junior woodward, Daniel Clarke; senior beadle, T. R. Plaunt; junior beadle, Christian Soll; trustees, Thos. Fletcher and Geo. Brown. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of an address to Mr. J. H. Falconer, the organizer.

NANAIMO AFFAIRS.

Report From the Northbound Fleet—Relief Party Moving—The Recent Defalcations.

NANAIMO, Feb. 25.—(Special)—The tug Active, having in tow the barge Robt. McDonald, arrived this afternoon after a rough trip. She reported the steamer Joan off St. Mary's island on Tuesday morning, the Islander at Port Simpson at 2 p.m., the Tees in Greenfield channel at 10 p.m., and the Queen in Greenfield channel at 11 p.m. The Active passed twenty-eight vessels bound North.

The long looked for tug Monarch arrived to-day, and expects to leave in the morning with the ship Lucille for Skagway with the American relief party's pack train, in charge of Lieut. Preston.

A special council meeting re the audit decided to engage solicitors at once in connection with the Thompson defalcation.

LADY ABBOTT DEAD.

Widow of the Former Canadian Premier Dies Suddenly in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—(Special)—Lady Abbott, widow of the late Sir John Abbott, ex-premier of Canada, died suddenly this afternoon at the residence of her son here. She had been ailing for some time and worried about her son Harry Abbott, who is seriously ill in Florida.

RYAN DOES UP GREEN.

Eighteen Rounds Made the Vanquished Too Tired to Rise.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—Tommy Ryan, of Syracuse, won from Geo. Green in the eighteenth round to-night.

Green did not go out from a blow, but was totally exhausted from the fierce manner in which the fight had been carried on, and in the eighteenth fell on the floor twice, and was counted out the second time. Ryan also was very tired, but was able to continue if necessary.

IMPERIAL INSTITUTE.

New Zealand Now Withdraws Her Support —Purpose and History of This Project.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Daily Mail announce to-day that New Zealand has deserted the Imperial Institute.

The Imperial Institute of the United Kingdom, the Colonies and India, was founded in 1887 as a record of Queen Victoria's golden jubilee. In the main its aims were to be the formation of complete collections of the natural products of the British Empire, the establishment of a system of commercial intelligence to work with and supplement the display of the specimens, and the practical adaptation of both to the purposes and advancement of trade. The foundation stone was laid by the Queen on July 4th, 1887, and the formal inauguration by Her Majesty took place in May, 1893.

Vast quantities of specimen products from all parts of the Empire are in the galleries and the Institute, which is one of the chief sights of London, has from the first been regarded by the Imperial government as furnishing one of the strongest bonds between the mother country and the colonies, especially the Australian.

CLEVER PLAY AND PLAYERS.

"A Bachelor's Honeymoon" Convulses Patrons of the Victoria—Lindley's Continued Success.

Not since the production of "Christopher Jr." by the Frawley company has mirth-provoking a comedy in the hands of as clever players been seen in this city as "A Bachelor's Honeymoon." This comedy by Stapleton is something on the order of "Christopher Jr.," or more on the plan of "Charlie's Aunt"—and to sit it through without laughing necessitates that one be both deaf and blind. For it is naturally funny all the way through.

The plot is not an improbable one. A widower with a full share of respect for the caustic tongue of his sister, and with no less regard for the attractions of a fair star of the footlights, makes her his wife, and then rather than sacrifice his inheritance, endeavors to conceal his matrimonial venture from his suspicious sister. Incidentally, as a widower would, he has neglected to tell his bride that he has two charming daughters of marriageable age to whom she must be a mother—and this further increases the complications, which, with two perplexed suitors for the hands of the twin daughters, the twins themselves, and a detective who as such is a barrel of fun—make up the comedy of errors.

The scene is set in Boston, and the "langwidge" introduced in the dialogue of the cultured Bostonese twins would make even a newspaper editor ambitious for dictionary effects green with envy. As to the play, it is both cleverly written and well interpreted—the men and women doing their work as well as the author has done his, and the result is a finished performance that it is worth one's time to witness. Luckily for Victorians it is to be here to-night also, and those who missed it last evening need not lament its passage unseen. After the fulness of tedious and mediocre entertainments with which the local playhouse has recently been infested, "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" is a delightful relief—would that more of its pattern were available.

Last evening at the Workmen's hall the Harry Lindley company pleased a large audience with a production of Boucicault's picture of life in Louisiana, which though perhaps not quite equal to the former presentations of the company, was, nevertheless, decidedly enjoyable. This afternoon at the 2:30 matinee "May Blossom" will be produced, while this evening there will be a great double bill—"Under The Gaslight" and "The British Bull Dogs." The former play is too well known to require description or praise in Victoria, while the latter is said to be very amusing.

Will Manager Jamieson kindly present the compliments of the public to the gentleman who has the management of the theatre programme in his especial charge, and ask him to once again place the orchestra programme on the house bill for each and every performance? The orchestra under Mr. Freimuth's direction leaves little to be asked for or desired, and the patrons of the theatre would be delighted to again know what each selection is that the musicians treat them to.

"1492" by a good company is the next attraction at the Victoria.

That the blood should perform its vital functions, it is absolutely necessary it should not only be pure but rich in life-giving elements. These results are best effected by the use of the well-known standard blood-purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

Suicide.

SHERBROOKE, Feb. 25.—(Special)—R. Sadgren, a Swede, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself through the head at Lake Megantic. The deed was committed in the Queen's hotel office just before dinner.

NOTICE.

THE DAILY COLONIST is for sale at the news stands and on the streets of Vancouver on the arrival of the steamer from Victoria and at the following additional places on the provincial mainland.

NEW WESTMINSTER, D. Lyall & Co
KAMLOOPS, W. T. Slavin, J. A. Halton
MARA, M. Skojeski.
VERNON, Smith Bros.
REVELSTOKE, Batterson & Co., F. B. Wells, Can. Drug and Book Co., C.P.R. station; A. J. Aman, C.P.R. station; McDowell, Atkins, Watson Co., Revelstoke station.
NELSON, A. Purdy; Thomson Stationery Co.
SLOCAN, Slocan News Co.
SANDON, Slocan News Co,
SILVERTON, Silverton News Co.
ROSSLAND, M. W. Simpson.
TRAIL, F. W. Brown.
KASLO, Lemon & Young.
NEW DENVER, C. F. Nelson.

And may also be had from the news agents on all regular C. P. R. trains running out of Vancouver.

OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

Sharp Recovery in the New York Market and a Bear Raid Well Resisted.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—There was a sharp recovery in the prices of stocks to-day, in which the engagement of gold for import was the predominant influence. The course of the exchange market yesterday foreshadowed the early importation of gold, which is the direct outcome of the stiffening in rates for call money. The amount of sterling exchange held in New York is variously estimated at from $40,000,000 upwards. A large part of it has been used as collateral for loans and the large liquidation of loans has released a quantity of this exchange and brought it upon the market. In other words, the rise in the money rate makes it profitable to bring home funds which have been left abroad on account of the high rates hitherto prevailing there. The bears made an effort to retain control of the stock market at the opening to-day by raiding a few of the specialties, notably Metropolitan and Manhattan, but they were unable to wipe out the gains shown in sympathy with London.

Closing prices: Amn. Tob., 87⅞; Sugar, 123⅛; Atch., 11⅞; C. & O., 21¼; C. B. & Q., 94½; C.R.I. & P., 65; C. M. & St. P., 92⅞; Con. Gas N. Y., 182; D. & H., 109; G.E., 32; J.C., 92; Man., 102; Nat. Lead, 30½; N. A., 5¾; N.P. com., 21¼; do pfd., 61½; N.Y.C., 112¾; N. Y. L. E. & W. pfd., 38¾; O. M., 69¾; P.M., 27½; P. & R., 18½; Pullman, 179; S.R., 8¼; pfd., 28½; U.S. Leather pfd., 60¾; U.P., 30⅛; pfd., 61½; W.U., 86⅝; Met., 138.

Coml. Cable in Montreal, 182½; Can. Pac. in London, 84¼.

Bar silver, 55½c.; Mexican dollars, 45¼c.; silver certificates, 55½c.

Copper, strong; brokers, $11.25; exchange, $11.62½. Lead, dull; brokers, $3.60; exchange, $3.75; to $3.82½. Tin, firm; straits, $14.10 to $14.20; plates, easy. Spelter, quiet; Domestic, $4.10. Rosin, steady. Turpentine, firm. Pig iron, firm; Southern, $9.75 to $11.25; Northern, $10.50 to $12.

Molasses, firm. Sugar, raw, firm; fair refining, 3 1-16c. Refined market firm.

Wheat closed: Feb., $1.05. March, $1.05, May, 99⅞c; July, 92c; September, 82½c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Wheat closed: May, $1.03½. Corn—May, 29¾c; July, 30⅞c; September, 32½c. Oats—May, 26½c; July, 24½c. Mess Pork—May, $10.50; July, $10.55. Lard—May, $5.20; July, $5.20. Ribs—May, $5-25; July, $5.20.

A Postmaster to Go.

ORILLIA, Feb. 25.—(Special)—Post Office Inspector Hardware was in town on Tuesday, and has given it out unofficially that the present postmaster will be suspended in a day or two.

For Klondike.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—(Special)—Alex. Irving, president of the Montreal hockey club, will leave for Klondike on March 2, and will be accompanied by two other members of the M. A. A. A., Messrs. Fisher and Thompson, besides two other men from the Lower Provinces.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Butler, who intend residing in Victoria, are visiting Mrs. Janion.

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The Foremost Medical Company in the World in the Cure of Weak Men Makes this Offer.

HEALTH AND ENERGY ASSURED. HAPPY MARRIAGE, GOOD TEMPER, LONG LIFE.

In all the world to-day—in all the history of the world—no doctor nor institution has treated and restored so many men as has the famed ERIE MEDICAL CO. of Buffalo, N. Y.

This is due to the fact that the company controls some inventions and discoveries which have no equal in the whole realm of medical science.

So much deception has been practiced in advertising that this grand old company now for the first time makes this startling offer:—

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They give full strength, development and tone to every portion and organ of the body.

Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.

This "Trial without Expense" offer is limited by the company to a short time, and application must be made at once.

No C. O. D. scheme, no bogus philanthropy nor deception, no exposure—a clean business proposition by a company of high financial and professional standing.

Write to the ERIE MEDICAL COMPANY, BUFFALO, N.Y., and refer to seeing the account of their offer in this paper.

Tailor made Mackinaw suits with hood and storm collar. B. Williams & Co.

PERSONAL.

E. H. Fletcher, post office inspector, returned last night from his official visit to the mainland.

R. P. Roblin and W. W. McMillan, of Winnipeg, accompanied by their wives, are at the Driard.

J. W. Jones, the West Coast mining man, is back after an extended trip through the East.

The Misses West and Davies, who arrived from the North on the steamer Barbara Boscowitz on Wednesday, are leaving on a trip to the old country.

S. H. Frank, Utica, N.Y.; M. L. Isaacs, New York; H. F. Strong, Chicago, and J. L. Betzel, San Francisco, registered at the Driard yesterday morning.

The Bishop of Caledonia, one of the passengers arriving from the North on steamer Barbara Boscowitz the night before last, is visiting friends in Victoria.

The Welsh in Canada.

TORONTO, Feb. 25.—(Special)—David Davis, editor of the South Wales Daily Post, is on a special mission to ascertain how the Welsh people in Canada have fared and what capabilities the country offers for Welsh immigrants.

"77" FOR GRIP

La Grippe is cut short by the early use of "Seventy-seven."

Colds, either fresh or long standing are broken up by "77."

Coughs are very quickly banished and Pneumonia prevented by "77."

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The System is sustained by "77," and you feel strong and vigorous.

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It is a marvellous cure for all such disgusting and disfiguring diseases as Eczema, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Barbers' Itch, Scald Head, Ulcers, Blotches. It cures all eruptions of the skin and makes it soft and white.—27.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Husky Dogs.

Trained Husky Dogs from Northern Saskatchewan For Sale.

Apply to THOMAS EARLE, Wholesale Grocer, Wharf St.
f25

NOTICE.

I have this day disposed of my entire interest in the cord wood and steam sawing business, also my general teaming business to J. E. Grice who will continue the business at the same stand. While thanking my numerous patrons for their past favors, I would ask for a continuance of the same to Mr. Grice.

A. C. HOWE.

fe24 Victoria, February 23, 1898.

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MRS. RAAB, Clairvoyant and trance medium. 31 View St. f20

MISS HOWES, the greatest living clairvoyant medium; unfailing advice on business, speculation, mining, marriage, courtship, divorces, etc. Learn what the future holds in store for you; have specimens to show of paying groups of mines, all parts British Columbia and United States. Readings $1 and upwards. Hours 9 to 9 p. m. 124 Douglas street f6

MISCELLANEOUS.

F. ELWORTHY—Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au 0-tf

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found, For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty five cents.

WANTS.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Apply Mrs. J. A. Carthew, 262 Yates street. f26

WANTED—A strong girl to do general housework; one who is used to children preferred. Apply 125 Quadra St.

WANTED—Small furnished cottage for the summer, must be in respectable locality. Address H B., Colonist office. f26

WANTED—A lady's bicycle; must be in good condition and reasonable price for cash. Address C., Colonist f26

EXPERT bookkeeper from Glasgow seeks engagement. Address P., Colonist f24

PARTNER wanted for paying saloon; good opportunity for steady man. For particulars address W.S., Colonist. f24

WANTED—A young lady assistant to introduce Crystallized Egg. Apply to Mrs. Atkins, at E. J. Saunders, grocer, 41 Johnson Street. f25

WANTED—Position as bar tender by experienced man. Address C.T., Colonist. f25

WANTED—A position by Japanese boy for general work. Japanese Mission, 16 Kane street. f25

WANTED—Employment in wholesale store by a married man, would drive team if required. Address A., Colonist fe25

WANTED—New or second-hand buggy, or a buck-board seated for four; must be guaranteed in good order. Apply W.N., this office. f15

WANTED—10,000 oak staves. Apply 28 Belcher street. fe10

WANTED—A good general servant to go to Alberni. Apply between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at 29 Pioneer St. fe10

WANTED—To rent for two weeks. No 6 Remington typewriter; must be in good order. Address F. C. Davidge & Co. j30

WANTED—At the highest price paid for second-hand clothing, furniture, stoves, also old copper and brass. 60½ Johnson St. j11

WANTED—A partner, active, sober, industrious man with $500, for half interest in mining expedition; have new machinery for saving placer gold and ready to start in ten days. Address Expedition, this office. fe23

WANTED—Gentleman, years of commercial experience, would be pleased to represent a Victoria wholesale grocery on mutual arrangement; also one or two local manufacturing firms, on the all Canadian Yukon route; highest references. Address, Capable, Colonist office. f26

WANTED—Will pay $25 cash for information leading to engagement to go to Yukon for company or capitalist as prospector, laborer or anything else. Hardy man, experienced in farming, slight experience in prospecting, handy at repairing clothing, boots, or with axe or saw; some experience cooking. Address H. E., Colonist office. f26

FOR SALE.

BICYCLES—I have the best of assortment to choose from. A full stock of first-class ladies' and gents' wheels. Victoria Cyclery, 44 Government street. J. J. Mulholland. f26

FOR SALE—Boats for Klondike can be supplied with wood and water on wharf at Bella Bella, two hundred and fifty miles north of Victoria. f25

FOR SALE—A snap; steamer, 36 feet long, 8 feet beam; nearly new engine and boiler; perfect pump and everything in good order; first offer over $150. Apply Steamer, Colonist Office. f24

EGGS for hatching from imported pure breed, Black Minorcas. John Wilson & Co., 93 Johnson street. f25

FOR SALE—A four-inch tire wagon; cheap. Vancouver Island Produce Society, City Market.

FOR SALE—Two lots running from Rae St. to Churchway, Victoria City. Apply to W. D., Box 614, Victoria. f17

FOR SALE—A limited number of thoroughly trained Labrador sleigh dogs. Apply or address Victoria Metallurgical Works Co., Fort street. fe10

FARM—356 acres, 3¼ miles from a city and state college, railroads, fences, buildings, good water, large orchard, lovely home, $8,000; part may remain on mortgage; no agents; write owner, box 15, Corvallis, Oregon. fe23

FOR SALE—Klondyke claims and British Columbia mines, also shares in all the principal mines in British Columbia at lowest quotations. A. W. More & Co, mining brokers, 86 Government street.

FOR SALE—One of the best farms on Vancouver Island, containing over 200 acres, 40 acres under cultivation, 9-roomed house and good farm buildings;; title Crown Grant. Price $5,500. A. W. More & Co., real estate agents, 86 Government street

FOR SALE—5-roomed cottage on Stanley avenue, cost over $2,500, will be sold for $1,600 payable $200 cash, balance to suit purchaser. This is a great bargain. A. W. More & Co, insurance agents, 86 Government street.

FOR SALE—Lot on Quebec street, close to Government buildings, 1.40 acres Yates street, 5 acres Oaklands, and 7 acres in Victoria District, at about 25 per cent. less than assessed value. Owner must sell. Apply Lowenberg, Harris & Co. f20

HORSE, cart and harness for sale cheap. Address Box 265, City. fe23

NOTICE—A good farm (890) acres for sale on reasonable terms; or to rent. Enquire Joel Broadwell, Salt Spring Island, B.C. f22

TO LET OR LEASE.

TO RENT—Nicely furnished house keeping rooms 59 Pandora street. f26

TO LET—Furnished rooms, by day or week; central; reasonable. 25 Broughton street. f26

COMFORTABLE furnished front rooms to let with use of kitchen if required. Apply 139 Michigan street, James Bay. f25

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms at Elsmere House, 104 Pandora St. Apply 97 Quadra St. f22

FARM TO LET containing 100 acres, from 40 to 50 acres cleared and under cultivation, 6-roomed house and good farm buildings; 200 fruit trees, situate about 10 miles from Victoria, in the district of South Saanich. For rent, etc., apply to A. W. More & Co., agents, 86 Government street.

TO LET—Good country store, near to the city; post office attached; rent and expenses very low; great snap. Full particulars of Ralph Churton, Auctioneer, 70 Douglas St. f24

TO LET—Comfortably furnished rooms with board if required; price moderate. Apply 51, Vancouver street. ja29

TO RENT—A furnished room in the neighborhood of Pemberton road. Address X., Colonist office. no2

EDUCATION AND ART.

PRIVATE instruction in Pitman's Shorthand and in Bookkeeping, Arithmetic and Mathematics. Cases of neglected education receive special attention. James Kaye, 111 Fitzgard street. fe16

THE Victoria College of Arts and Science will be opened on or about 1st day of April, in Victoria, under the direction of Professor William P. Turner, a graduate of Onslow College, and South Kensington School of Arts, London, England, excelling in all branches of Drawing, Painting, Carving, etc., at his studio where thoroughly practical instruction can be had at a very moderate tuition. Those desiring a course of instruction will please interview or correspond with the Professor at once. WM. P. TURNER, 320 Homer St., Vancouver, B.C. ja29

KLONDIKE.

ANY person wishing to send the Victoria-Klondyke map and folder to their friends will please furnish a list of the names and addresses to F. Elworthy, Board of Trade Building and they will be mailed free no3

HOI FOR KLONDYKE—Specially selected trained Labrador dogs for sale. Apply Dr. Blanchard, Outer wharf. A. R. Baker, 62 Government street, R. Kash, 76 Yates St. f23

Notice to Taxpayers.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts, of Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich, and parts of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act," are now due for the year 1898. Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz—

If paid on or before June, 1898:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Two and one-half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars, and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent. when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

If paid on or after the 1st July, 1898.

Four-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Three-fourths of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-fourths of one per cent.

Revenue Tax, $3 00 per capita (Victoria City excepted).

Victoria, B. C., January 6th, 1898.

C. BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

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FERRY—NECHACO RIVER.

SEALED proposals, properly endorsed, will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to noon on Thursday, 17th March next, for the right to maintain and operate a ferry across the Nechaco River at a point where it is crossed by the Telegraph Trail, and within a limit of five miles above and five miles below that place, for a term of five years from the date of the charter.

Proposals must give a description of the size and kind of boat intended to be used, the mode of propelling the same and the various rates of toll proposed to be collected, and give the names of two persons who are willing to execute a bond for $500.00 to secure the faithful carrying out of the contract.

The competition will be on the rate of tolls and the amount of bonus to be paid to the Government annually for the exclusive privilege of operating a ferry. A certified cheque to cover the amount of the first year's bonus must accompany each proposal.

All officers of the government, with their animals and freight, to pass free.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 22nd February, 1898.

NOTICE.

STEIN & MEIKLE

Chartered Accountants and Auditors.

Have opened an office at Bank of Montreal Chambers. j4

NOTICE.

Government Street, between Courtney and Johnson Streets, is closed to traffic

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IN THE FIELD OF SPORT

A Grand Steeplechase Being Prepared to Close the Season's Hunts.

Association Football Will Hold Chief Favor To-day—Basket Ball and Golf Games.

The officers of H.M. forces at the Work Point barracks are at present arranging for a steeplechase meeting to wind up the season's paper chases, this meeting to be held on Saturday, March 12, and promising to be a very interesting one. The course will be over a hunting country, and will embrace water jumps as well as fences. The exact locality cannot be stated as yet, but it is spoken of as an ideal course, both for the character of its turf and its open and picturesque aspect. There will be three races over 12 jumps, stiff timber and two water jumps. The event will be open only to horses that have twice this season been out at the paper chases for cups given by the officers of the barracks; and one farmers' race open to all farmers' horses, for a cup given by the Victoria Hunt Club. The course is about 2¼ miles. Farmers are cordially invited to participate, and to enter their horses. At a later date rules and weights will be advertised. There will be a full field in each of the three races, open only to horses that have been ridden in the paper chases, and it is hoped also in the farmers' race. The public will have every opportunity of seeing the races, and the meeting is predicted to be the most interesting and successful of the kind that has yet been held in Victoria.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

JUNIOR LEAGUE MATCH.

The North Ward play No. 2 Co. Boys' Brigade in the tenth match in the series, at Beacon Hill this afternoon, commencing at 2 o'clock. The Boys' Brigade team is as follows: Goal, G. Temple; backs, R. Burns and S. Lorimer; half backs, R. Barber, W. Caldwell and D. Mackay; forwards, T. Peden, R. Peden, J. Johnstone, R. Dunn and C. Cox. Mr. W. N. Winsby will act as referee.

Y.M.C.A. V. VICTORIA.

After the conclusion of the junior game the ball will be kicked off in the practice game between the Y. M. C. A. and the team which is to represent Victoria against Wellington for the senior cub, the team being picked from the Barracks and the Wanderers. The Y. M. C. A. team is as follows: Goal, W. H. Kinsman; backs, W. York and W. McKeown; half-backs, B. Schwengers, W. Lorimer and W. Stewart; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Lorimer, G. Parsons, W. N. Winsby and L. York. Their opponents will be: Goal; Wriglesworth; backs, E. Goward, G. Hall; half-backs, A. Reed, F. Townsend, A. Johnson; forwards, Hanbury, A. Goward, L. A. Campbell, Hubbard, Chapman.

VICTORIA COLLEGE V. NAVY.

This afternoon in the Caledonian grounds at 3 o'clock a team from the Navy meet a team from Victoria College, and a well contested game is expected. The following are listed to play for the college: Goal, the Professor; backs, H. Holden and A. Goward; half-backs, R. Harris, W. Glaholm and C. Harris; forwards, H. Lawson, G. Wilson, B. LeNeveu, Lawson and D. Marpole (captain). Substitutes, A. R. Stovin and S. H. Kelsey.

THE HUNT.

A RUN TO-DAY.

The Victoria hunt club meet to-day for a run at Mr. F. Pemberton's Foul Bay road at 2:30.

GOLF.

The medal competitions of the Victnria gold club will be continued at the links to-day.

BASKET BALL.

WASPS V. SWIFTS.

At the drill hall last evening the Wasps met and defeated No. 3 Company in their return match by a score of 7 points to 4. Play started off very even, and after some clever passing Hall scored the first goal for the Company. This was shortly followed by Marchant scoring for the Wasps, and just before half-time the Wasps were awarded a free shot, which Humber converted. After half-time play was much faster, with splendid passing on both sides. North scored for the Wasps, and soon after Whitelaw did the same for the Company. Marchant from a neat pass from Berkley succeeded in placing the ball in the basket for the Wasps just at the close of time.

For the Wasps the defence, Wilson, Marshall and Barnes, played a faultless game, while Noot and Marchant and Hunter showed up well on the forward line. For the Company, Hall, Austin and W. Lorimer were the most noticeable.

THE NEXT GAME.

The next league basket ball game will be played at the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Fort street, between the Swifts and No. 2 Co., Fifth regiment, commencing at 8 o'clock. The Swifts will be represented by: Guard, A. Reid; backs, W. H. Kinsman and F. Cullin; forwards, W. Wriglesworth, J. Hemsworth, A. Smith, and H. Erskine.

AN ACTOR TALKS.

Tells What Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Did for Him and His Wife—Truly a Friend to the "Profession."

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Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

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He Relates Events in His Career of General Interest—For Years He Suffered from Heart Trouble, and Frequently from Collapse—On One Occasion Five Doctors Were in Attendance—He Is Now Freed From His Old Enemy, and Enjoys the Blessing of Good Health.

REV. W. A. DUNNETT.

From the Smith's Falls Record.

Throughout Canada, from the western boundary of Ontario to the Atlantic Ocean, there is no name more widely known in temperance and evangelistic work than that of the Rev. W. A. Dunnett. Mr. Dunnett has been the Grand Vice-Councillor of Ontario and Quebec in the Royal Templars, and so popular is he among the members of the order that in Montreal there is a Royal Templars council named "Dunnett Council" in his honor. For more than ten years Mr. Dunnett has been going from place to place pursuing his good work, sometimes assisting resident ministers, sometimes conducting a series of gospel temperance meetings independently, but always laboring for the good of his fellows. While in Smith's Falls a few months ago in connection with his work he dropped into the Record office for a little visit with the editor. During the conversation the Record ventured to remark that his duties entailed an enormous amount of hard work. To this Mr. Dunnett assented, but added that in his present physical condition he was equal to any amount of hard work. But it was not always so, he said, and then he gave the writer the following little personal history, with permission to make it public. He said that for the past thirteen years he had been greatly troubled with a pain in the region of his heart, from which he was unable to get any relief. At times it was a dull, heavy pain, at others sharp and severe. Oftentimes it rendered him unfit for his engagements, and at all times it difficult to move. His trouble was always visible to the public and frequently when conducting service he would give out and doctors had to be called in to attend him. This occured to him in the Yonge street church, Toronto; the Baptist church, Woodstock, N.B.; the Methodist church, Carleton Place, Ont. On another occasion while preaching to an audience of 2,000 people in the Franklin street Congregational church at Manchester, N. H., five doctors had arrived and were in attendance before he regained consciousness. In all these cities and towns the newspapers freely mentioned his affliction at the time. Mr. Dunnett said he had consulted many physicians, though he said, to be entirely fair, he had never been any great length of time under treatment by any one doctor because of his itinerant mode of life. In the early part of the summer of 1896, while in Brockville assisting the pastor of the Wall street Methodist church in evangelistic services, he was speaking of his trouble to a friend who urged him to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and next day presented him with a dozen boxes. "I took the pills," said Mr. Dunnett, and I declare to you I am a well man today. I used to worry a great deal over the pain about my heart, but that is all done now, and I feel like a new man." All this the reverend gentleman told in a simple conversational way, and when it was suggested that he let it be known, he rather demurred, because, as he put it, "I am almost afraid to say I am cured, and yet there is no man enjoying better health to-day than I do."

At that time, at Mr. Dunnett's request, his statement was only published locally, but now writing under the date of January 21st, Fitchburg, Mass., where he has been conducting a very successful series of evangelistic meetings, he says:—"I had held back from writing in regard to my health, not because I had forgotten, but because it seemed too good to be true that the old time pain had gone. I cannot say whether it will ever return, but I can certainly say it has not troubled me for months, and I am in better health than I have been for years. I have gained in flesh, hence in weight. I would prefer not to say anything about my appetite; like the poor, it is ever with me. Yes; I attribute my good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and you have my consent to use the fact."

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LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 1 going East Monday.
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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at o'clock.
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For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at 7 o'clock.

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February 22, Danube.
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March 8th, Danube.
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ja6 JOHN IRVING, Manager.

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The steamers *Queen, Victorian, City of Topeka, Cottage City* and *Curacao* leave *Victoria B. C.*, P.M., February 4, 7, 9, 16, 17, 24, 27, 28, March 9, 11, 12, 19, 24, 26, 29, April 5, 8, 10, 17, 18, 20, 25, 28, 29.
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	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	9:00	3:00
Ar. Nanaimo	12:20	6:16
Ar. Wellington	12:45	6:35

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:07	7:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:46	3:58
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:25	3:25

For rates and information apply at Company's offices.
A. DUNSMUIR, President. JOSEPH HUNTER, Gen'l Supt.
H. K. PRIOR, General Freight and Passenger Agent.
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THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE STIKINE.

As a general proposition the Stikine may be said to be an easily navigable stream. Last fall the United States papers printed some astonishing pictures and letterpress exhibiting the river as just a grade better than Niagara in its worst part. The most exaggerated stories were told about it. Some of the papers, notably the Post-Intelligencer, went so far as to say that it cannot be navigated at all. Our information is that there is no place on the river where in high water good-sized river steamers will meet with any difficulty, provided of course they have engine power corresponding with their size. The canyon, of which so much has been written, and which has been described as a place of terrific peril, is in point of fact no obstruction at all. The only serious obstruction is said to be at the Devil's Elbow, a piece of water not very far above the conventional boundary, where some work ought to be done to make navigation easier for the larger vessels that will ply on the river. Work will be needed at many points above, but only to improve the navigation, not to render it possible.

It is understood that parliament will be asked to make the necessary appropriation, and the action of the council of the Board of Trade yesterday in asking the committee on navigation to take the matter up with a view to collecting all available information as to the places in which and the time when work can be done with the greatest advantage, and to communicate with the proper department, was timely.

It will be necessary for some regulation to be adopted in regard to the passing of certain points by steamers. Thus no up-bound steamer ought to be allowed to enter the canyon when it would be likely to meet a down-bound vessel. As the canyon is only three-quarters of a mile long, and a perfectly safe and straight run, if some such arrangement is made, the danger of collision at this point will be completely removed. It is said also that such a rule ought to be adopted in regard to the passage of the Devil's Elbow. This would call for the stationing of men above and below the points mentioned with signal flags, and perhaps telephonic connection between them would be necessary, that is between the men at the same point, although it might be possible for them to communicate with each other by signals. The distance being very short telephones might not be needed. No doubt the owners of steamers plying on the river will enter into some mutual arrangement covering this point, but it is desirable that any rule adopted shall have the force of law, and we therefore suggest that the department of Marine and Fisheries shall prescribe a regulation covering the ground. All steamers would be bound to obey this and the vessel violating it would be responsible for any damage resulting.

THE WAY TO GET THE TRADE.

The Toronto Board of Trade has adopted a resolution calling upon the Dominion government to open a wagon road from Edmonton to the Yukon. We do not feel called upon to say anything against such a project, and in point of fact are disposed to commend it. We have some objections to raise to the argument made in favor of such a course. It is said that in no other way can the trade of the Yukon be secured to Canada. The COLONIST long ago pointed out how the trade of the Yukon can be secured to this country, and that was by passing a law restricting the location of claims or their ownership to British subjects. That is the only absolutely sure way. There is no more reason why foreigners should be allowed to come into the country and carry away its gold than that we should give up to them anything else which nature has endowed us with. We try to retain our fisheries. We make efforts to keep our lumber, or at least to keep our forests from being stripped for the benefit of foreigners; but we let the precious metals go to any one who chooses to come and get them. We are going now, it appears, to take off even the small royalty which foreigners were to be asked to pay in common with our own citizens.

But it is not necessary to do this to keep the very much larger part of the trade of the Yukon for Canada. There is a much better way, namely to build at once, and at once does not mean next year, but this year, a railway from some point on the British Columbia coast to Teslin Lake, and when that is done to close the Tagish Lake route to traffic at altogether, except for persons going in without merchandise. If this is done the whole trade of the country will come to Canada. No other plan will work successfully, although a railway from Glenora to Lake Teslin will help the matter a great deal. We hope to see both the Dominion and the Provincial governments take this matter up with vigor. We have seen a disposition on the part of some of the provincial newspapers to oppose the idea of provincial assistance to a railway that will extend for some four hundred miles and more through this province; but we believe that such objectors will be in a very small minority. To the argument that such a railway will be chiefly for the development of a region outside of the province, we reply first, that it is not true, and second that if it were true, the trade would come to British Columbia cities and to British Columbia farmers, and would be worth all it is likely to cost.

We concede that Canada as a whole should do very much more than this province, for the reason that the addition to the revenue to result from the increased trade of the country and the out gold mines themselves will go into the dominion treasury; but we do not see how anyone can justify the claim that the province ought to do nothing at all.

PREPARING FOR WAR.

No question, not even taking purely local matters into account, can be of greater interest to the people of Canada at this moment than the probabilities of an armed collision between the United States and Spain. Hence the desire of the COLONIST to keep its readers as fully informed upon what is being said and done in regard to the disaster to the Maine as it possibly can, taking care to distinguish between what is clearly sensationalism and what has genuine news value, or may serve to aid readers in arriving at a just estimate of the chances. The following from the New York Tribune, and vouched for by that paper as coming directly from President McKinley, is of especial value as showing the drift of events:

I do not propose to do anything at all to accelerate war with Spain. Up to the present I do not think that war is either necessary or inevitable. I would be lax in my duty, however, if I did not prepare for the future. The situation is grave, and the policy of the administration will be determined almost entirely by the course of events from time to time. There is no necessity of alarming the people, but congress must be ready to assist the administration without making too many inquiries as to the course of current events.

A statement like this coming from the responsible head of any other government than that of the United States would be regarded as an almost certain precursor of war. When the head of a nation talks of not doing anything to accelerate a war, the inference is that he sees war approaching, and if it were not for the uncertainty that even President McKinley has acquired a habit of weighing his words, we would conclude that the crisis cannot be long deferred.

A dangerous element in the case is found in the fact that a great many people in the United States really want war. The construction of a navy of considerable power has inflamed the already exuberant fancy of the people that they are invincible on sea, and they are, that is a very large proportion of them are, impatient of a chance to demonstrate their prowess. To such people it is idle to talk of the country being unprepared for active hostilities in spite of the fact that she has some very fine looking ships. This state of unpreparedness is well known to the naval experts of the country, but they are afraid to tell the truth, so necessary is it for every one connected with the government in any department to keep up a pretence of confidence in the country's unparalleled strength. A recent English naval writer, describing the navy of the United States, said that its chief object was to appeal to the popular imagination. Its construction has certainly had that effect, whatever may have been intended. The popular imagination has been excited to a tremendous pitch, and the majority of the people believe it to be a foregone conclusion that, if war with Spain should come, it would simply be a sort of naval parade, accompanied by the burning of a little powder and some trifling inconvenience to the people aboard the fleet. It would be as much as any man's popularity is worth in the United States for him to tell the people the naked fact and let them know how ill-prepared for war the country is.

Fuel is being added to the flame by sensational reports from Havana. Statements are being widely published that evidence has been found to prove that the explosion came from without the ship, and it is asserted that proof will be given in due time to prove that a torpedo raft was seen to approach the Maine. There is not much doubt about evidence of the latter kind being forthcoming if it will lead to war, for there is a very strong combination exceedingly desirous to bring such a climax about at the earliest possible day. Evidence has been manufactured before now.

It is alleged that the opinion of the officials of the navy department at Washington is that the explosion was caused by a submarine mine, and that the Spanish authorities purposely permitted the ship to be moored over a mine. In this event the responsibility of the Spanish government for the accident would be inevitable. We may feel very sure that under no circumstances will Spain admit such a responsibility. To do so would be to place the nation outside the pale of civilization.

THE method of bringing the consolidated statutes into force did not commend itself to Mr. Williams. The matter is one upon which there is room for difference of opinion. We incline to the view that the plan adopted is, taking all things into consideration, the best. The consolidation has been before the public for a year and some of it for two years. The presumption is that those persons who are competent to pass upon its quality have already examined it. If they have not done so, we would not be disposed to rate very highly the consideration they would be likely to give it while the thousands of sections were being hurried through the legislature. The consolidation of laws is for experts, and we think the most expert services available have been devoted to the work. If it is found in practice that the consolidated laws need amending, the amendments can be made as necessity arises. A consolidation is not intended to be permanent collection of the laws, but only as a convenience to those who require to know what the law is. Such changes as have been made have apparently met with the full approval of the legal profession. Even Mr. Williams did not suggest that any alterations are called for. It is fair to say that the plan favored by him was twice adopted in the province of New Brunswick; but our recollection is that the consolidated criminal code of Canada was not discussed section by section in parliament.

IN view of the passage of the bill bringing the Consolidated Statutes into force, it may interest some people to know that in the state of Washington some half dozen years ago, an Oregon lawyer, named Hill, secured an appropriation to prepare a code for that state. This code is supposed to embrace all the statute law of the state. Mr. Hill prepared a book in two volumes, taking up the several sections of the previous code and statutes, amending it and changing them as he thought necessary, and many changes were necessary, for some of the earlier statutes of Washington are curiosities. He expected that the legislature would formally enact the altered and new sections; but nothing of the kind was done, and the result is that Hill's Code, which is usually quoted in the courts of that state is part statute and part Mr. Hill's ideas of how the statutes should be amended. As an example of carelessness in legislation probably nothing surpasses this. A queer feature of the codes of several of the states is that they enact definitions, such as are usually looked for in the dictionary. Thus: A jury is a body of men appointed to try an issue of fact; or a sheriff is an executive officer; ejectment is an action to recover possession of real estate, and so on. Having thus solemnly enacted what the English language means, the codes go on to tell how juries are chosen, what their powers are, and so on, and contain similar provisions in regard to sheriffs, actions of ejectment. The idea of the makers of the statutes seems to have been that they were laying the foundation of a language and a civilization.

THE Post-Intelligencer once more talks about discrimination against United States citizens in the Yukon. Will it state what those acts of discrimination are? If an American citizen wants to mine in the Yukon he must take out a license; so must a Canadian. He must take it out at one or the other of the places specified in the regulations; so must a Canadian. He must pay a royalty on what gold he takes out; so must a Canadian. He must pay duties on any goods which he imports from foreign countries; so must a Canadian. In fact there is nothing for a foreigner must do to enable him to mine gold in the Yukon that a Canadian must not also do. We challenge the Post-Intelligencer or any one else to disprove this.

THE Times quotes a paragraph from the Chicago Record which says that the Maine was a second-class cruiser and intended as a commerce destroyer. This is a strange error for the Record to make, although it is quite natural that the Times should not know it to be an error. The Maine was a battleship, and was supposed to be first-class when she was built. She has been so greatly exceeded in size by those vessels that have followed her, that she may perhaps properly have been called a second-class battleship, according to the classification applicable to the United States navy.

WE are sorry to see the Seattle Times refer to the incident in connection with the Pakshan in Departure bay as a wreck, and rather in a triumphant tone.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

The following epitaph is over a grave in the Caroline Islands:

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"Yes," said the candid retainer, with a sigh, "sometimes. But it takes a great deal of 'roasting' to make it so."—Washington Star.

"Poor old Bilkins!"

"What's the matter with Bilkins?"

"Dead. Frozen to death."

"Frozen to death! How horrible!"

"Isn't it?"

"Particularly so in his case. Just think what a frightful shock ween such an old reprobate reaches his destination frozen up!"—Chicago Post.

"Our only regret," said the editor of the Whangville Clarion, in his valedictory, "is that when we came here we didn't start a sewing circle instead of a newspaper. It would have supplied the people of this town with all the facilities for the dissemination of news they appear to need, and would have saved us six weeks' hard work and $327.50 in hard cash."—Chicago Tribune.

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Under the Gas Light to-night at A.O.U.W. Hall, Yates street. x

AT their meeting last night, the Jubilee hospital directors awarded the tender for medals for graduates of the nursing school to C. E. Redfern. Upon the application of Mrs. William Grant, Mr. L. Goodacre, and several others, the board decided to allow the use of the old French hospital for the purpose of establishing an undenominational home for aged women. The usual routine business was disposed of, and among other things it was decided to ask the city council to have Cadboro Bay road and Richmond road put in decent condition, as the resident medical officer reported the roads needed repairing very badly. Chief Deasy's recommendations for the better protection of the hospital from fire were received with thanks, and his advice will be taken.

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THE funeral of the late Mrs. Wilson was very largely attended yesterday afternoon. The choir assisted Rev. Canon Beanlands at the impressive services in Christ church cathedral, and sympathy was shown by the many beautiful flowers sent by loving friends. The pallbearers were Messrs. Sydney Pitts, F. H. Worlock, Charles Kent, W. J. Macaulay, Rout Harvey, T. B. Kitto, P. Wollaston and Forest Angus.

THE many friends of Mr. George Riley will join in expressing their sincere sympathy with him on learning that death came unexpectedly yesterday and released from pain his wife and life companion. The deceased lady was a native of Ontario, and came here with her husband upwards of twelve years ago, making her home for several years on upper Fort street, and latterly on Bay street. She had been in failing health for some time past, and not long ago underwent an operation which it was thought and hoped would have the effect of restoring her to full health and strength. The contrary result was unfortunately experienced.

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THERE will be a motion this morning to set aside the proceedings in regard to the writ of replevin granted last Saturday in connection with the tug Czar. The action is that of Dunsmuir v. Klondike & Columbia Goldfields Ltd., and Boscowitz. The vessel was sold to the defendants by C. J. V. Spratt for $23,500, and plaintiffs took proceedings to recover the vessel on the ground that the tug was under charter to them, and that they had an option to purchase her. Under the replevin the tug was handed over by the sheriff to plaintiffs. Defendants now ask that the proceedings be set aside, the principal ground being that the tug is the property of the defendants as it was purchased by them from C. J. V. Spratt on February 17, three days before the issue of the writ by plaintiffs. The defendants also claim that there is no entry on the ship's registry of plaintiffs' alleged right of purchase. Messrs. Davie, Pooley & Luxton, for plaintiffs; Messrs. Hunter & Oliver, for defendants.

A FLAG STORY.

Britishers Alleged to Have Hoisted Colors on Territory Claimed by the United States—The Terrible Cold.

SEATTLE, Feb. 25.—The steamer Noyo, which arrived here from Alaska to-day, brings a report that the British flag has been planted at Summit Lake, 14 miles inside of the American boundary line, and 12 miles from Skagway.

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Correspondence With the British Columbia Board of Trade on the Yukon Question.

That the British Columbia Board of Trade has done a great deal towards stirring up Eastern Canada on the Yukon question is shown by a number of letters recently received from boards of trade and important bodies in the East. These letters show, too, that in Ontario and Quebec the business men are anxious and willing, once they understand the situation, to lend their aid to British Columbia to secure as much of the Yukon trade as possible for Canada, and to preserve Canadian rights against the attacks that the United States have been making against them.

These letters refer to the communication sent to Hon. Clifford Sifton on January 25, urging the government to take steps to preserve fair treatment of Canadians going through the strip of Alaska into the Yukon. With this were sent copies of a portion of the address presented to Hon. Clifford Sifton when he was in Victoria in October last, in reference to the same subject. Among the letters received in reply were the following:

From Secretary Vancouver Board—"In reply to your favor of 15th instant I have telegraphed the Hon. Clifford Sifton and Mr. G. R. Maxwell, M.P., that the board of trade considers the present arrangement as to mining licenses for the Northwest Territories most satisfactory, and requesting the government not to make any change."

From Secretary Toronto Board—"Your telegram of the 24th instant duly received, and the enclosed communication was at once forwarded to the minister of the interior by our president. It would appear, however, by the morning papers that the government are fully alive to the immense importance of immediate action, and are doing everything in their power to assist the merchants of this country, both east and west. This board will only be too glad to assist you at all times in furthering the efforts being made to prevent interference with rights of the British Columbia merchants, and to secure and retain for them their legitimate trade."

President Toronto Board to Mr. Sifton—"I am in receipt to-day of a telegraph despatch from the Board of Trade of Victoria, B.C., stating that the obnoxious regulations instituted by the United States government affecting the passage of Canadian goods through the disputed territory are still in force, and that their continuance will destroy the trade of the province with our mining territory. The remedy urged of closing Dyea and Skagway pass may not be the only one available, but I have hope that you will find some effective way of checking this tendency on the part of our American friends to interfere with the commercial efforts we are making in this territory. I believe the Dominion government by taking a firm stand now will avoid infinite trouble in the future."

From Secretary Toronto Board—"I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the 26th ulto., with enclosures as therein stated. My council fully realize the importance of the matter of your communication and have made strong representations to the government upon the question, and they are only too pleased to most heartily co-operate with your board in their efforts to assist Canadian merchants in securing the Klondike trade."

From President Hamilton Board—"On receipt of your telegram of 24th inst., re passage of Canadian goods through disputed territory, I asked the two members representing this city, both friendly to the government, to telegraph to the Minister of the Interior endorsing your recommendation. They sent a strong message and I followed it up by a message to the minister supporting your desires. To-day I have received from Mr. Wood, one of our representatives, a letter he has received from the minister, a copy of which I enclose. There does not seem any idea of immediate action, but I trust the ultimate result will be satisfactory. We have done here all we could for you."

Mr. Sifton to A. T. Wood, M.P.P., Hamilton—"Replying to your telegram of yesterday, I would say that we are struggling with the difficulties on the Coast, but are not prepared to go to the extreme length of closing up the territory at the present moment.

I have no doubt that the arrangements which we have made for the opening of an all-Canadian route will adjust matters more effectively than any other method that could be adopted."

From Secretary Montreal Board—"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your telegram of 24th ult., and of letter with enclosures of 26th ult., the subject matter of which has received consideration from the council of this board and rendered it prepared and willing to proceed to Ottawa as requested, to there discuss with the Honorable the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Mr. Wm. McLean, of Vancouver, and the president of the Toronto board, the important question of the customs regulations governing transit into the Yukon. The council was much gratified to learn from your telegram of 8th inst. that your board appreciated its prompt action in the matter."

From Secretary Quebec Board—"I received in due course your copy of portion of an address presented to the Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, and also your circular of the 4th inst. Considering the importance of the matter, I brought up this case before the Quebec Board of Trade, and the meeting unanimously resolved that the secretary should write to the Honorable Minister of the Interior supporting the views of the British Columbia Board of Trade, which are in the interest of the whole Dominion."

From Simcoe Canning Co.—"We beg to acknowledge receipt of your esteemed letter, 26th ult., with copy enclosed of letter to the Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, and copy of address presented to him in October last. These have our earnest attention. We have brought the matter before the representatives in the Dominion house of parliament from the North and South ridings of the county of Norfolk, viz., John Charlton, Esq., M.P., and Hon. David Tisdale, M.P. Those gentlemen will do everything in their power to further your and our mutual interests when the matter referred to in your letter is brought before the house. We will do what we can in bringing the matter before other members of the house, and will endeavor to get them likewise interested in this matter."

From James Smart Manufacturing Co., Brockville: "We are duly in receipt of your favor of 26th ult., re the Klondike trade. The matter to which you refer appears, according to the papers, to have been put right since your circular was mailed, and we suppose therefore any action on our part will be quite superfluous."

Yukon Miners.

Don't forget to get your sheath, knives, pocket knives, camping knives, compasses, hair-cutting scissors, money belts, miners' glasses, snow glasses and an endless variety of necessities, from Fox's, 78 Government street. x

The Klondike is in Canada, and the British Bull Dog will hold it. See the British Bull Dogs to-night at A.O.U.W. Hall, Yates street. x

ADJUTANT and Mrs. Ayres of Vancouver, who have general charge of the Salvation Army work in this province, will be at the barracks here this evening, and also Sunday and Monday, conducting special meetings. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present. General Booth will probably be here before the end of the coming week.

W. H. BAINBRIDGE arrived yesterday from Nanaimo, having just returned from the scene of his mining operations at Alberni. Owing to snow but little work in the way of developing is being done at present in that district and from the same cause prospecting is altogether at a standstill. Work is being pushed, however, on the Cataract claim, the hydraulic proposition which is being exploited by the syndicate of English capitalists which Mr. Bainbridge has interested in the mineral deposits of the island, and for whom he now acts as superintendent. Between fifteen and twenty men are at work on the preliminary operations and with the coming season Mr. Bainbridge expects that they will have reached bed rock, when the work of saving the gold will go bravely forward. In addition to the Cataract this company is interested in about thirty other claims, on some of which active work will be prosecuted as soon as the weather allows. On the Consolidated-Alberni tunnelling and shaft sinking is being pushed steadily and this year will witness great strides in mining in the neighborhood.

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AN UNEVENTFUL DAY.

The Bill Bringing Into Force the Revised Statutes Enters the Committee Stage.

Routine Business Transacted and an Early Adjournment Until Monday Afternoon.

Owing to the absence of the Premier from his place, as well as to a dearth of debateable material in the orders of the day, the Friday afternoon sitting of the legislature was both short and uneventful. The only important business of the day was the passage of the bill bringing the revised statutes of the province into force and operation, the second reading of which was agreed to, and a committee of the house subsequently considering the measure in detail.

After prayers by Rev. J. F. Betts,

Mr. Williams expressed his desire to enter a very strong protest against the dilatoriness of ministers of the crown in answering questions placed on the notice paper since the first day of the session.

THE REVISED STATUTES.

Hon. Mr. Eberts moved the second reading of the bill to give effect to the revised statutes of the province, tracing the history of this important work of revision and paying high compliment to the wisdom and fitness of the revisers, by experience and training, for the important work they had this year completed. Details were given of the very interesting work of revision, showing how the commissioners not only had codified and arranged the laws of British Columbia to the present date, but had adopted and incorporated the laws of England where these Imperial laws were found especially applicable to the conditions and necessities of British Columbia. The completed revision was indeed a magnificent work, and he had pleasure in moving the second reading of the bill to give the revision force and effect.

Mr. Williams congratulated the house on having at last received the revision so long in progress, at the same time complimenting the commissioners on the excellence of their work. He maintained, however, that where changes were made in the laws, the legislature should have been consulted. There were many things in the revision which he held to be incomplete—as for example in the law of libel, so directly interesting to the newspaper editors and publishers of the province. For example, portions of the laws of libel in force in England and Ontario had been here adopted, while at the same time material parts of the law of Ontario had been omitted—notably that portion limiting the time in which libel proceedings must be initiated after publication complained of. There were other things which might have been included in the revision to have made more perfect the completed work. The fault lay not with the commissioners, however, but with the Attorney-General, and with these observations he promised his support to the bill.

Dr. Walkem, par parenthese, wished to explain a little matter in connection with the curfew law, which had been referred to incidentally. This was as to the age limit, which had been distinctly fixed in committee at fifteen years, although in some unexplained manner omitted from the printed measure.

Mr. Semlin followed on lines similar to those taken by Mr. Williams, Hon. Col. Baker speaking next in warm commendation of the revision.

Hon. Mr. Pooley expressed his appreciation of the careful work of the commissioners, and dwelt also upon the point that whereas the amendments might be deemed advisable in some particulars by the house, the revised statutes could not be amended until made law by their passage by the house.

The second reading then passed and the bill was sent to committee with Mr. Huff in the chair. In committee, Mr. Williams took exception to the revision having been completed before the house was afforded opportunity to make desirable amendments. The house should have been given the privilege of making changes required before the work was disposed of, this being the only business-like course.

Dr. Walkem in answer commented upon the small politicial tactics of the senior member for Vancouver in waiting to suggest amendments until the statute revision was completed, and then bringing forth the carping criticism that appeared to be his sole stock-in-trade, in his effort to prove that the consolidated statutes of British Columbia were not as perfect as those of the province of Ontario.

The committee rose reporting progress.

PETITIONS RECEIVED.

The three petitions of J. M. Catton and others, presented to the house on Thursday by Mr. Helmcken—and relating to the incorporation of the Teslin Lake Electric Lighting Co., the Fort Simpson, Glenora and Klondike Railway Co., and the Teslin Lake and Victoria Telegraph and Cable Co.—were read and referred to the appropriate committees. So also was the petition of H. Maitland-Kersey and others, offering the petition of D. D. Mann, William McKenzie and J. H. Hoar, for incorporation of the Yukon Railway Co.

REPORTS AND RETURNS.

Mr. Hunter presented the ninth report of the private bills committee, stating the House Rules to have been complied with in the case of the Skeena River Railway, Colonization and Exploration Co., and the Revelstoke and Cassiar Railway Co., the report being received.

Hon. Mr. Eberts presented the report of the superintendent of police, jails and reformatories for the year 1897.

Hon. Colonel Baker presented the following papers:

Statement of orders in council and regulations made under authority of sec. 161 of the "Mineral Act, 1896," and sec. 13 of the "Placer Mining Act (1891) Amendment Act, 1896."

Statement of bonds deposited in the provincial secretary's office by civil officers of the province for the due performance of their duties, under the "Civil Service Act."

Statement of the names and places of residence of collectors of revenue paid by commission, rate of same, and authority therefor.

Mr. Helmcken presented the petition of Charles R. Hosmer and others on behalf of the Red Mountain Tunnel Company for leave to bring in a private bill.

On motion of Mr. Kellie, the Revelstoke & Cassiar Railway bill was read and referred to the railway committee.

Among the resolutions to be offered in the house next week is one by Mr. Sword for copies of the prospectuses of the several provincial loans since 1890—and another by Mr. Cotton for all correspondence with respect to the regulations issued under the Water Clauses Consolidation Act.

A first meeting of the mining committee is arranged for Monday morning, at 10 o'clock. Anyone with suggestions of desirable amendments to the Mineral or the Placer Mining Act is invited to lay his suggestions before the chairman of the committee, Mr. A. W. Smith, not later than to-day.

The private bills committee, at their Monday morning session, will take into consideration the amendments asked for in the Vancouver City charter, and also the petition for incorporation of the British Columbia Metalliferous Mines, Iron, Steel, Tinplate and Metal Company.

The railway committee at its meeting on Monday will deal with the incorporation bills sought by the Kitimat railway company, the South East Kootenay railway company, the Kootenay and Northwest railway company, and the Alice Arm railway.

Mr. Semlin during the coming week purposes asking these questions: 1. Has there been a second investigation of Constable Hunter's conduct? 2. If so, what was the charge, or were the charges inquired into? 3. Before whom was the investigation held? Also: Have you received a petition this year in reference to the construction of a road from Princeton to Keremeos, in the Similkameen Valley?

Mr. Forster is moving in the legislature for a return showing the total cost in detail of the recently completed revision of the provincial statutes.

A return is to be asked for by Mr. Semlin, showing: (a.) Statement of all timber leases granted to the Sayward Mill and Lumber Company, Limited, of Victoria, and names of parties by whom such leases are now held. (b.) Statement of all sums now owing to the government by said company in regard to rent of limits, royalties on lumber, or otherwise. (c.) Statement whether the men employed by said company (whose claim for wages the liquidator was unable to pay out of the funds in his hands, on account of the prior claim of the government for unpaid dues) have yet been paid their wages. (d.) Particulars of all unpaid claims for wages of which the government have cognizance.

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COTTAGE CITY.

As a substitute for the steamship City of Topeka, the Pacific Coast Steamship company's regular mail boat, the steamer Cottage City arrived early yesterday morning on her initial trip north. The Cottage City has just been brought around from the Atlantic seaboard, where for years she plied between New York and Portland, Me. She is quite as fast, if not faster, than the Topeka, and she has an advantage over the latter in having more accommodation for passengers. This is a matter that is partially accounted for in the fact that a large number of her berths can be readily transformed into settees. Hence the dining room is located in the centre of the vessel, and can be used for a saloon for a great part of the time. Some of these settees can accommodate five people at a time and are very comfortable. Inasmuch as the steamer does not call at Dyea or Skagway, she carried a somewhat limited number of passengers in comparison to what she is capable of carrying, there being on board 156 from the Sound, of whom more than half were travelling in the saloon. There were fifteen leaving Victoria on the steamer, and those wishing to go farther north than Juneau will be obliged to transfer to the steamer Wolcott at that port. Capt. Hunter, formerly of the steamer Umatilla, has command of the Cottage City and he has as pilots Captains Patton and Jackson.

MARINE NOTES.

H.M.S. Phaeton is expected back from Comox to-day, and H.M.S. Icarus will leave Esquimalt for Comox on Tuesday. There is also some talk of the Amphion being due from the South to-day.

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Suddenly a large spot in the mist ahead of the ship lighted up, as if we were coming to a clear space. But to the experienced eyes of the mate and the ice pilot it was an ominous specter, for it was the ice blink of a huge berg which almost at that very instant emerged from the mist, towering hundreds of feet above us and stretching out many hundred feet on either side.

It was too late to avoid it. Safety, if it could be secured at all, lay in taking the collision straight ahead, and accordingly the rudder was turned at the instant the wheel was reversed. The collision came all too soon. Great masses of ice fell upon the deck. The steamer reeled like a drunken man, but the passengers scarcely had time to secure an upright position again before all was quiet as death, while we anxiously watched the carpenter as he sounded the wells to see if there were a leak.

Meantime the huge berg gleamed down upon us from its serene height in the mist and revealed clearly the pointed sides of the great gash which had been made in it by the bow of our iron ship.

After a few minutes of breathless anxiety it was ascertained that, beyond the breaking of three or four iron plates of the ship high above the water line and the disabling of one anchor, no damage was done. Fortunately we had hit the iceberg where there was no projecting foot below the water. Otherwise it would surely have been a fatal collision for us.

It was thrilling indeed for us to reflect that we had sailed or steamed by a most circuitous route to encounter this particular berg and had hit it at almost the only safe point which it presented for attack.

Last Fight In the Coliseum.

In a fragment of a mediæval diary, the authorship of which is generally attributed to Ludovico Bonconte Monaldeschi da Orvieto, there is a description of a great bullfight given in the Coliseum on the 3d day of September, 1332. It appears that the arena was still free from any accumulation of soil, although the marble seats and the marble decorations had already been taken away. The seats were replaced, therefore, with red cloth. Monaldeschi's account of this last vision of athletic sports, of this ephemeral revival of classic games, the last of which had taken place 800 years before, is so graphic and so full of details characteristic of the age that it may please the reader to know somewhat of them.

The seats had been divided into four sections. The first section was occupied by the noble ladies of the Ponte and Parione, led by the beautiful Savello Orsini; by those of Trastevere, led by Tacopella de Vico, and by those of the Monti and Campitelli, led by two of the Colonnas. The noblemen sat in the next compartment. Women and men of the middle and lower classes occupied the third and fourth sections. The brave young men, the pick of the Roman and Italian aristocracy, who were to confront the wild bulls were remarkable for the variety of the colors they wore and for the mottoes engraved on their helmets. The gallant band of youths was not very successful on that day. When the fight came to an end for want of more champions, 18 of them were lying dead in the arena and 11 were dangerously wounded, while only 11 bulls had been killed. The dead heroes were carried off in triumphal procession to St. John of Lateran, followed by the whole crowd of spectators.—Atlantic Monthly.

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The head office of the Company is situate at 23 Leadenhall Street, in the City of London.

The amount of the capital of the Company is two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, divided into two hundred and fifty thousand shares of one pound each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in the City of Victoria, and Caldwell Ashworth, gentleman, whose address is No. 30 Broad Street, City of Victoria, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:—

[*a.*] To acquire in British Columbia and elsewhere by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or otherwise, mining property, claims, water rights, and also including lands, mines, mining rights and claims, minerals, ores, mills, stamps, smelting and other works for treating ores and minerals and rendering them marketable metals, including also all kinds of building, machinery and plant useful or supposed to be useful in mining, milling, treating or reducing ores or minerals, and any concessions, grants, decrees, claims, rights or privileges whatsoever, which may seem to the Company capable of being turned to account, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same, and to dispose of any such concessions, grants, decrees, claims or privileges:

[*b.*] To carry on all kinds of exploration business and, in particular in relation to mines and minerals, to seek for and secure openings for capital, and with a view to any of the objects aforesaid, to prospect, enquire, examine, explore and test and to dispatch and employ expeditions, commissions, experts or other agents:

[*c.*] To carry on all kinds of promotion business and in particular to form, constitute, float, lend money to, assist and control any companies, partnerships, associations, or undertakings whatsoever:

[*d.*] To acquire by purchase, lease, licence, or otherwise, absolutely or conditionally, the rights either generally or exclusively, over any area or areas of or in all or any patent rights or processes or mechanical or other contrivances useful or supposed to be useful for any of the purposes of the Company, and to deal with or dispose of the same or any interest therein respectively:

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[*f.*] To carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property in which it is interested:

[*g.*] To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Company:

[*h.*] To prospect, explore and develop the resources of the said lands and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, and otherwise dealing with the same, and to stock the same or other lands, to cut and to sell timber, and generally to mine and carry on all sorts of mining operations in British Columbia, or any other part of the globe:

[*i.*] To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, colonize, farm and cultivate lands and hereditaments in British Columbia and elsewhere:

[*j.*] To stock the same or other lands, and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce:

[*k.*] To work and carry on all or any mines, works, and properties from time to time in possession of the said Company in such manner as the Directors for the time being may determine; to erect all necessary mills and machinery and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses, and other buildings; construct, maintain, and alter canals, railways, water-courses, tramways, telegraph lines, or any other lines or system of communication whether by telegram, telephone, phonograph, phonophone or otherwise, by electricity, or by pneumatic force or otherwise, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, drainage works, irrigation works, wharves, piers, and other works of every nature and description, purchase, rent, hire, or charter waggons, steam or sailing ships, to enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business, and for the general conduct and management of its affairs and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, whether in British Columbia, Great Britain or elsewhere:

[*l.*] To buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other persons who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant:

[*m.*] To purchase, build, charter, equip, load (either on commission or otherwise), sell, repair, let out to hire and trade with steam or other ships, boats and vessels of all kinds; to carry on the business of carriers by land and water:

[*n.*] To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any Government, British, Colonial or Foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions:

[*o.*] To obtain any Act of Parliament or law or order of any Colonial or Foreign Legislature or Government for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect:

[*p.*] To promote, form and register other companies in England or in any Colony, dependency, foreign country, state or territory, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for all or any of the objects mentioned in this Memorandum, or for advancing directly or indirectly the objects or interests thereof, and to take or otherwise acquire and to underwrite and hold shares, debentures or other securities, in or of any such company, and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company:

[*q.*] To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities of or in any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company:

[*r.*] To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests or co-operation with any person or company carring on or about to carry on any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stock in any such company. To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and in particular friendly societies:

[*s.*] To carry on all kinds of financial or banking business, and in particular to negotiate loans and advances, to offer for subscription, place, buy, deal in, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods, bullion, specie, and valuables of all kinds, and merchandise generally in British Columbia, Great Britain or elsewhere, and to receive money on deposit and to collect revenue of all kinds:

[*t.*] To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorised to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company:

[*u.*] To make, accept, indorse and execute promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealings with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future), including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of or persons having dealings with the Company:

[*v.*] To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or Colony or State for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licences or otherwise:

[*w.*] To lend money to any company, partnership, person or association, upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, mortgage debentures or in any other form, or to lend money in British Columbia or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general or useful object:

(*x.*) To pay the costs, charges and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up:

(*y.*) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state:

(*z.*) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
ja27 *Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session by the Cowichan Lumber Company, Limited, for an Act to empower the said applicants to exercise in the Province of British Columbia all the powers, privileges and capacities granted to the said company by their charter under the Great seal of Canada, and especially to empower the said company to construct and maintain a retaining dam and such works in connection therewith as are hereinafter referred to in or upon the Cowichan River on Section 16, Range V., Quamichan District, upon such site and according to such plans and specifications as shall have received the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in-Council, and to construct, maintain and operate a double or single line of tramway of such gauge as they may deem advisable, with necessary side tracks and turn outs, and to build bridges and erect, acquire and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along their said tramway, subject in so far as the same passes over any highway to the permission and under the supervision of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, the said tramway to commence on the north side of Cowichan River, on Section 16, Range V. Quamichan District about 750 feet above the wagon road bridge across said river on Section 15, Range V. of said district, thence in an easterly direction following north bank of said river and intersecting the line of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway and at such a distance from said river as will afford the most convenient route to a point at or near the mouth of said river with all the usual powers and privileges incidental to the construction and operation of such works with power to said company to use the water or water power to be created by the erection of such retaining dam for producing any form of power or for generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, and for all and every purpose mentioned in Sections 80, 81, 82 and 83 of the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, and to do everything necessary or incidental to the carrying out of all or any of the objects referred to in said sections and to enter upon survey purchase and expropriate lands for the purposes of said works, and so that the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act as to expropriation of lands shall apply for the right to take timber, stone, gravel and other materials for use and construction of said works; to levy and collect tolls from all passengers and in respect of all freight carried upon such tramway as the company may by regulation direct; to contract for supplying water and electricity for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes, and to do all things which may be necessary to enable the said company to carry on such contracts within such limits, and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor-in Council; and to charge and collect reasonable tolls and charges therefor.

Dated the 27th day of January, 1898.

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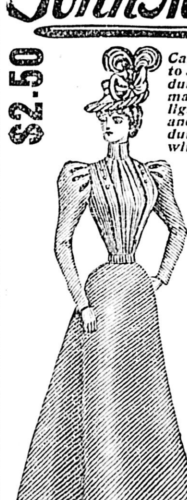

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OUTPUT OF TWO FORESTS.

The Almost Inconceivable Amount of Lumber Cut In Wisconsin and Minnesota.

"The Story of a Pine Board" is the title of an article by W. S. Harwood in St. Nicholas. Mr. Harwood says of the lumbering in Wisconsin and Minnesota:

About 4,160,000,000 feet of logs were cut in the season of 1895—that is to say, what is equivalent to 4,160,000,000 pieces of board 12 inches square and 1 inch think. I wonder if even the lumber men themselves, and the log cutters, and the manufacturers of lumber in the great mills, realize what an enormous amount of lumber this is. Why, it would build a house around the globe, with a main room ten feet high and a large attic, ceiling up the inside walls and roof with sweet, fragrant pine. It would put down a matched floor, and then, when the house was all completed, there would be left enough lumber to build tight board fences on either side of the house 3½ feet high the whole distance around the globe. Besides all this there would be shingles enough for a good portion of the house, and then, if the mighty builder of such a globe girdling house wanted to fit it up a little more neatly, there would be a large supply of laths, and, I suppose, the plasterers could furnish him enough stucco and lime.

Or if he wanted to construct a roof shelter for all the people on the globe our mighty builder could accommodate them all, allowing to each man, woman and child a clear space of two square feet in which to stand, and still have room left over for 500,000,000 men with the same room in which to stand. And, to look at it in still another way, this same builder would have material to construct a bicycle path of pine, a little over two feet wide, from the earth to the moon, for there would be nearly 800,000 miles of board a foot wide and an inch thick. In sawing this lumber up into the required length and thickness there was a great waste in sawdust—so great, indeed, that the sawdust pile would stand 112 feet high on a city square and 500 feet square at the base, and this is saying nothing about the vast amount of pieces of slabs which are split up into kindlings.

This enormous quantity of lumber represents merely the output of two forests—one in the northwestern part of the state of Wisconsin, and the other in the northern part of the state of Minnesota, and at the rate the logs are being cut up there will not be a piece of pine forest standing in all this vast region at the end of ten years unless something is done by the government to put a stop to the ravages.

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Mrs. Peter O'Brien, of Smith's Falls, Discovers the Value of Dodd's Kidney Pills—They are the Only Cure for Kidney Diseases.

SMITH'S FALLS, Feb. 25.—Mrs. Peter O'Brien, residing on Merrick street in this town, has fallen heiress to a legacy that is infinitely more valuable than millions of dollars. She has come into possession of knowledge that will make the remaining years of her life bright with happiness and good health. She has discovered that Dodd's Kidney Pills are an infallible cure for Kidney Disease.

Mrs. O'Brien is well known and very popular in Smith's Falls. Her many friends know that her sufferings from Kidney Disease were terribly severe. In spite of all the medicines she used, no relief could be obtained till she tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. Three boxes of this grand remedy cured her.

Dodd's Kidney Pills have cured hundreds of persons of Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Lumbago, Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Urinary and Bladder Diseases, Blood Impurities and Diseases of Women, in this town.

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Several people in town who were given up to die of Bright's Disease and Diabetes have been rescued by Dodd's Kidney Pills. No other medicine known to man has cured either of these diseases. No wonder, then, that Dodd's Kidney Pills are used in every household in the district.

Kidney Diseases can no more gain a footing in a family where Dodd's Kidney Pills are used than a mosquito can upset the rock of Gibraltar. Dodd's Kidney Pills are an infallible preventive against Death from Kidney Disease.

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The steamer Princess Louise, in command of Captain Sears and with W. L. Gilchrist, lately of the city police force, as mate, left for the North at a late hour last night witth a load of miners and miners' freight, that when completed at Vancouver and Nanaimo will give the ship all she can carry. Her passengers were nearly all Americans and among the largest parties of these was a Minnesota company of sixteen, composed of Jos. Pearson, S. Fountain, P. J. Erickson, Pat. Hopkins, F. Peterson, P. T. Anderson, Chas. Anderson, John Erickson, John Hart, John Anderson, G. Jobson, H. Lander, A. L. Linwell, and B. Oleson. The party has expended over $5,000 in Victoria and they have got for the money splendid equipments. They are the advance guard they say of fully fifteen or twenty thousand Minnesotans coming this way, many of them from St. Paul and Minneapolis. The leader of the party, Mr. J. Pearson with some three or four others, have not yet arrived, but will be here to leave on the Islander. All are going into the Yukon via the Stikine and taking along with them four horses to do their heavy packing. Three San Franciscans who have outfitted in Victoria, after having carefully compared prices of supplies in all the Coast cities and who are going by the same route are F. Cline, P. Chambers and J. Lovejoy. Among the other passengers leaving on the Louise are Wm. H. Black and his brother, J. F. Black. The former is a lawyer from Decatur, Ill., and yesterday while waiting around for the steamer to sail, he did the first hard manual work he had done in thirteen years. He expects to do a little "roughing" and is anxious to get himself hardened for the worst. Mr. Black is one of those who has given the Seattle merchants the fairest kind of a trial with the result that he found they did not treat him at all well. He had even secured passage on a steamer leaving from Seattle, but after his eye teeth were cut he sold his ticket at a discount and came to Victoria to outfit. On the Louise, he says he will travel with every comfort possible on such a trip, and will also have some consolation in the fact that the captain of the steamer is a man who has had eleven years experience in Northern water, a consideration that had much to do with his coming over here from Seattle. The Louises' complete passenger list is as follows: For Wrangel—R. M. Garrett, W. F. Garrett, J. A. French, H. P. Lovelle, M. A. Granger, C. Baraur, L. Podesto, O. Pech, F. Rossi and V. Sangmunti. For Naas—J. M. Hutchings, H. W. Jasper, J. W. Parker, E. Harringhi, H. Anderson and F. Peterson. For elsewhere—A. P. Erickson, P. J. Hopkins, John Hart, C. Anderson, G. Johnson, O. Sundall, W. Lander, S. F. Toulane, R. H. Allen, B. Oleson, O. S. Anderson, J. Pearson, C. A. Fleming, J. Madden, W. McKenzie, W. Johns, J. Simcock, A. McNeil, James Evett, W. Fleming, J. A. Moore, Cunninghan, Butte, D. M. S. Wells, S. D. Farrengla, G. Napie, C. J. Widemark, J. R. Cavanah, J. C. Gray, W. N. Coal, J. Richards, J. Murray, J. and J. A. Mulromi, R. Budge, R. Clark and J. Dyke.

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9 a.m..	42·	Highest 51·	1 p.m.—4 S.E.
1 p.m..	49		9 p.m.—8 N.
5 p.m..	47·	Lowest 41·	Rain—.00
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Two young ladies had an exciting time with a burglar at an early hour yesterday morning. Mrs. Bridges and her children were asleep in their home at 196 View street, when the two eldest daughters, who occupy the same room, were awakened by a noise in the room. At first they thought it was one of their little brothers, the youngster having the somewhat uncanny habit of somnambulism. However, the young ladies were speedily alarmed when they heard a match struck and saw by the light it made that there was a man in the room. Badly frightened, one of the girls cried to the intruder to leave the room. Instead of doing so the stranger ordered the frightened females to keep quiet as he had a partner outside and if any one came to the room he would shoot. He spoke to his companion out of the window for a moment, and then as one of the Miss Bridges rose from her bed to give the alarm to the other members of the family, the burglar caught her by the throat, threw her down, and drawing the blunt side of a knife across her neck swore he would cut her throat if she did not keep quiet. It was money he was after, he said, and no one would be harmed if they kept quiet. The thoroughly frightened girls screamed with terror, and their shrieks brought Mrs. Bridges to the room. The burglar, probably thinking there might be men in the house, promptly made his escape by the window. The police were informed, but up to late last night had made no capture. From the appearance of things it seems that there were two persons concerned in the entry. The window which is about six feet above the ground was reached by means of a stout ladder which belongs to the place. Then a loose pane of glass was removed and then the window was easily opened. From these facts it looks as if the intruders were familiar with the place, and had acted more from a desire to frighten the girls than to commit any burglary.

BIRTH.

SPICER—On 25 inst., at 13 Bellot street, the wife of Newton Spicer, a son.

DIED.

RILEY—On the 25th inst., Emma, beloved wife of Geo. Riley, aged 47 years, and a native of Haldimand, Ontario.

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Superintendent Hussey Reports as to the Efficiency of the Provincial Police.

Largely Increased Expenditures Necessitated by the Rush to the Far North.

An especially interesting report in connection with the condition, as to efficiency and otherwise, of the police of British Columbia, was laid before the Legislature yesterday by Hon. Mr. Eberts. In it is contained all customary statistical information in connection with the maintenance and operation of the police department, while the history of the past year, with the conclusions naturally presenting themselves at its close, was thus reviewed by the superintendent of police, Mr. F. S. Hussey:

Since the presentation of my last annual report, many changes have taken place. The province has progressed by leaps and bounds into a position of great prominence, owing to the development of its vast mineral resources and the recent rich discoveries of gold in the Ominecа, Cassiar and Yukon districts. The latter has attracted the greatest attention, and thousands of people from all parts of the world have come, and are coming to our coast on their way to the various mining camps.

It is gratifying to note that notwithstanding this enormous addition to the floating population, including as it does a large per centage of an undesirable class, there has been but a very small increase of crime during the past twelve months and no increase in the number of serious offences. During the year ending October 31, 1896, 1,849 persons were convicted and sentenced to imprisonment in the common jails and lock-ups of the province, while for the same period ending October 31, 1897, 1,888 were convicted, showing an increase of 39 convictions. This increase consists almost entirely of offences against the by-laws of the various cities, as will be seen by referring to the table contained in this report.

Owing to the tremendous influx, which is increasing daily, of miners, prospectors and others into the Cassiar district, and the construction of railways through that portion of the province, it will be necessary to materially increase the police force. To provide for this increase, and also for any emergencies that may arise, and in order that isolated districts may be afforded proper and adequate police protection, I would respectfully urge that an appropriation of $80,000 be made for the salaries of police constables for the year ending June 31, 1899.

The force now consists of a superintendent, one sergeant and 98 constables, besides a number of special police who are employed in various parts of the province from time to time as they may be required. The conduct of the men during the past year has, with few exceptions, been very creditable. No fines for any infractions of the regulations have been imposed. One investigation has been held, resulting in the resignation of the officer against whom the complaint was made.

During the past summer, in August last, a detachment of provincial constables was sent to Tagish lake, in the Northwest Territories, to assist in the establishment of a Dominion customs house at that point, and to protect the customs officers in the discharge of their duties of collecting revenue on dutiable goods going into the Northwest Territories until the arrival of the Northwest mounted police, who would relieve them. I am pleased to be able to state that notwithstanding the threats of many, especially of those from the United States that they would forcibly resist any attempt to collect duties, the police, without causing any friction between themselves and the owner of such goods, were mainly instrumental in collecting for the Dominion government revenues to the amount of about $25,000. The sub-collector at Tagish lake, like Mr. John Godson, expressed in the highest terms his appreciation of the services and conduct of the men while under his control. This in itself is worthy of note, as showing the respect in which the police of this province are held.

It has already been found necessary to establish police police posts in the northern part of the province, and the number of posts will doubtless have to be largely augmented in the near future. Two officers have been stationed at Lake Bennett under the supervision of Capt. W. J. Rant, who has recently been appointed gold commissioner and stipendiary magistrate at that point. This is an important post and will require additional assistance owing to its close proximity to the lawless element now congregated in the towns of Skagway and Dyea in the disputed territory, and to the strict surveillance that will have to be exercised over the movements of this class during the coming summer. Six officers in charge of Mr. W. H. Bullock-Webster, formerly chief constable of the New Westminster district, have been placed on the Stikine river—two at Glenora, two at Telegraph creek and two at Teslin lake. These will likewise have to be increased, as it is absolutely necessary that police posts be maintained at regular intervals of not more than fifty miles over this, which will be in all probability the most-travelled route to the Yukon gold fields.

In consequence of the high wages paid in this northern part of the province, and the difficulty in obtaining supplies the salaries of these officers are higher than in other districts, namely $100 per month. This accounts for the large increase required for the payment of salaries. A mounted constable at a salary of $100 per month has been appointed for the Chilcotin district, with his headquarters at or near Alexis Creek in the county of Cariboo. This appointment was made at the request of numerous residents of that district, who have complained for some time past of the lawlessness of the Indians, culminating recently in a murder committed in the vicinity of Tatla lake. It is thought that the presence of an energetic officer, who will establish a regular patrol throughout the district will very soon have the effect of reducing the Indians to a more law-abiding condition.

At Stewart Lake, on the trail from Quesnelle to Ominecа, a police post will probably have to be established, as the Indians in the neighborhood have been causing considerable trouble. In a recent case of aggravated assault of a very serious character, committed by a half-breed, the government was put to considerable expense in bringing the offender to justice, owing to the absence of a resident constable in the locality.

In the Kootenay district, consequent upon the increasing development of its mineral resources and the construction of railways, additional police have been appointed, and a thorough patrol system is now being carried out. This patrol extends throughout the southern portions of Yale and East and West Kootenay districts.

In the past twelve months there have been built two new jails, as recommended in my last report. At Kamloops a building capable of accommodating 86 prisoners, with officers' quarters attached, has been erected to take the place of the old jail, which was quite inadequate for the growing requirements of the Yale-Cariboo district. The old jail has been handed over to the city authorities for municipal purposes. At Nelson a new jail has been established, build from the same plans as the new jail as Kamloops. This jail supplies a long felt want, as prisoners from all parts of the Kootenay districts were formerly taken to Kamloops, and in many ceses during the past two years, on account of the overcrowded state of that jail, had to be transferred to the provincial jail at New Westminster at great expense to the government.

The staffs of these jails will be found in the reports of the provincial jails embodied in this report. It has been suggested, and I would respectfully urge that the matter be favorably considered, that the officials in provincial jails be supplied with uniforms. This would be advantageous in many ways, chiefly in making the officers more conspicuous while in the charge of prisoners; it is also a well known fact that a uniformed staff is much more respected by the usual class of criminals. The cost of these uniforms would be about $55 per man for two suits per year, including caps and buttons. There are at present five jails in the establishment, whose officers are about 36 in number, making the yearly cost of this step about $1,980.

The increase of crime among juvenile offenders has necessitated the reopening of the juvenile reformatory at Victoria. In the Coast cities especially it became apparent that a check must be put on a certain class of boys who prowl around the streets by day and night, disturbing and annoying passers-by, and wilfully and maliciously destroying property, thus eventually becoming involved in more serious crime. I feel compelled to remark that this lamentable state of affairs has in many cases been brought about by the laxity of parents or guardians who, in allowing their children thus to frequent the streets and drift into criminal courses, are themselves in great measure guilty of crime, and are equally in need of punishment. On the 16th December last the reformatory was reopened under the supervision of Mr. R. E. Hanson, acting superintendent, whose report is annexed. Twelve boys, whose sentences vary from one to twelve months, have been received in the institution. Their time is fully occupied in various ways, and the discipline well maintained. I would respectfully suggest that the regulation now in force in the provincial jails as to the remission of five days in each month of a prisoner's sentence for good conduct be extended to the reformatory. This would be an incentive to good behaviour, and in the hands of the superintendent would be of great assistance in maintaining discipline.

The Hotel Dawson has been opened up under the management of Messrs. Mahoney & Taylor and will be run on the European plan. x

GOOD CITIZENS.

Superintendent Eaton Tells the High School Pupils How to Be a Credit to Canada.

Through the efforts of Principal Paul and his staff a series of very interesting and profitable lectures is being given on alternate Friday afternoons before the pupils of the High school. Lectures have been given thus far by Archdeacon Scriven, Rev. P. C. L. Harris and Dr. Ernest Hall. Yesterday afternoon it was the turn of City Superintendent Eaton, who spoke for an hour on "The Education of the Citizen." The aim of the lecture was to impress upon the students the importance of high educational ideals with a view to the fullest possible preparation for their responsibilities as the future citizens of this country. Incidentally the speaker commended the provisions for physical training in the Victoria schools. While he approved of the idea that education should be practical, he repudiated that sordid, narrow view that would limit the practical to what was immediately convertible into dollars and cents. A liberal high school education was not, as some people contend, too good for Victoria boys and girls. In speaking of the importance of high standards in moral training, Mr. Eaton commended the excellent moral tone of the school, and urged the pupils to set honor above every price. But there is something to be added to a physical, intellectual and moral education—and that is culture. Refinement of manner, speech and sentiment are too often left out of the reckoning in educational ideals. The speaker concluded by urging his hearers to prove themselves worthy of Canadian citizenship.

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THE YUKON RAILWAY.

Board of Trade Urges the Dominion Government to Extend It to the Coast.

Opposing Corbin's Application for Railway Charter as Diverting Trade From the Province.

An important meeting of the council of the board of trade was held yesterday morning with the president, Mr. G. A. Kirk, in the chair for the purpose of meeting shipping men interested in the Stikine river navigation, and to discuss suggestions for regulations looking to the safety of navigation on that river. Besides the president, the members of the council present were Messrs. W. A. Ward, W. F. Bullen, D. R. Ker, A. C. Flumerfelt, T. Futcher, Joshua Davies and F. J. Claxton. The shipping representatives present were Hon. Edgar Dewdney, G. L. Courtney, H. Maitland-Kersey, Thomas Earle, M.P., and P. Hickey. Mr. Hickey, who has had much experience in steamboating on the Stikine, pointed out the necessity of some regulations to safeguard vessels passing through the canyon, and after discussing the matter the committee on navigation and harbors was requested to look into it and report as soon as possible.

After the shipping men had withdrawn there was an important report from the committee on railways taken up by the council. In the first place the committee emphatically expressed the opinion as to the desirability of the construction of a line of e railway from some port on the coast of British Columbia to connect with the railway to the Yukon, so that the line to the Yukon would be entirely within Canadian territory. The secretary was accordingly instructed to telegraph this decision to Hon. Mr. Blair, minister of railways, at Ottawa, and to urge that the building of this railway from the coast be taken up at once.

As the result of information given by Mr. Joshua Davies from his observations in the Kootenay country, the railway committee strongly recommended that the provincial government be asked not to grant any of the charters asked for for railways running through East Kootenay, unless the railway ran to Kootenay lake, so that the British Columbia merchants could have a chance to compete for the trade, otherwise the trade would all go to the East or South, and British Columbia would not benefit by it. This was adopted.

In reference to the railway charter which Mr. Bostock has presented at Ottawa for Mr. D. C. Corbin, to run a railway line from near Fort Sheppard into the Kettle river country, the committee states that Mr. Davies reminded them "that the C.P.R. has acquired the Heinze charter to build from the Columbia river to Penticton on Okanagan lake, both points being situated on the navigable waters of this province and accessible to our transportation companies. To approve of Mr. Corbin's application and to grant him a charter would simply mean the extension of the Red Mountain railway, whose terminus is in Northport, in the United States, and will give him additional facilities for draining the Boundary country of its ores, as is now done by the Red Mountain railway with the Rossland ores. The Red Mountain and Boundary countries promise to provide a very large tonnage of medium and low grade ores, which will pay freight and which will give employment to a number of men handling same. Every legitimate effort should be made to retain this business in the province. Your committee beg to report that in their opinion the granting of a charter to Mr. Corbin to run a railway into the Kettle River country from near Fort Sheppard would, by diverting trade to the south of the boundary, be highly detrimental to the interests of the province, and that this should also be at once brought under the notice of the chairman of the railway committee of the house.

The council adopted the report of the committee and the minister of railways, and the representatives of British Columbia at Ottawa have been telegraphed accordingly.

The Ottawa government have been wired by the council of the board urging that so long as British Columbia lumber is subject to duty in the United States that Canada impose an equivalent duty on the American article.

PERSONAL.

A. Fairfull, who underwent an operation at St. Joseph's Hospital, is rapidly recovering and will be out in a few days.

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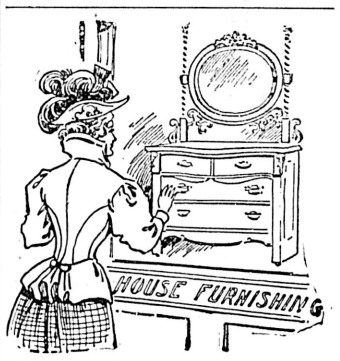

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